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ODD FELLOWS HAVE ANNUAL SERMON

The John C. Buckner Lodge, G. U. O. of O. F., Makes a Brilliant Display in Great Street Parade.

OSCAR DE PRIEST PRESENTED WITH A DIAMOND

The Umbrian Club to Run a Special to Milwaukee on Decoration Day—Hon. E. H. Wright is Seeking a Large Plum at the Hands of Mayor Thompson—Rev. T. A. Smythe is Convalescing—Chicago a Center of Musical Interest—Julius F. Taylor Purchases a New Home—Assembly Dance a Social Hit.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

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CHICAGO, Ill., May 12—(Special)—That the City of Chicago is doing a great deal to stimulate the interest in and appreciation of the higher things in music is evidenced by the number of representative music clubs, music societies and individual artists, residents of Chicago. Some of these societies have given more to the uplift of a city that is as Chicago, than has any other organization or group of organizations in this country, namely Choral Study Club, Musical Art Society, S. Coleridge Taylor Club, The Umbrian Glee Club; three of these are mixed organizations, the other a male organization. These different clubs have placed themselves in high esteem through the bringing of great artists such as Harry Burleigh, Roland Hayes, Miss Hazel Harrison, Nathaniel Dett, Miss Helen Hagan, Clarence White, Miss Kitty Skeene Mitchell, Joseph Douglass and S. Coleridge Taylor. Notable amongst the coming events will be the appearance of our most renowned virtuoso pianist the eminent Carl Diton, of Philadelphia. He has great successes accounted him in the representative cities of Germany, and he is a name known throughout the continent. Special mention must be given our leading voice representative in the person of Madame E. Azalia Hackley, whose great efforts as an educator are fully of note of her great voice. She will appear here sometime in June at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church, at which time the citizens will give her a "home coming." There is no city that supports resident artists as does Chicago. Notable amongst these resident artists are Madame Anita Patti Brown, Miss Maude Roberts, Mme. Willa M. Sloan, Mme. Annis Kackley, Mme. Martha B. Anderson, Miss Eudora Fisher Lockett, Prof. W. J. Jackson, Mrs. Estell Majors, Pedro Tinsley, Mrs. Mary Oddrick, James A. Mundy, Mrs. DeWitt Smith, Mr. Charles Reese, Miss Anna Strayhorn, Mr. Carroll Dickerson, Miss Frances Galloway, Mr. Walter Gossett, Mr. Theo Taylor, Mr. W. H. Hackney, Miss Maude Gaskill, Mr. Clarence Lee, Mrs. Pennela Jackson, Hilbert Earl Stewart, Mr. George Garner, Mrs. Clara Hutchison, Mr. W. H. Hann, Madame Florence Cole Talbert, Mr. Hugh Buchanan, Mr. Harrison Emanuel, Madame Marie Burton Hyram, Miss Irene Howard and M. Pierre de Calliaux. Chicago produces the three leading jubilee companies of the country: The Williams Jubilee, Buckner Jubilee and the Hann Jubilee Singers (they are always booked). This city has inaugurated the public musicale. It is the first city in the country to go to an expense to produce our leading artists to the people gratis that they may become the more uplifted and educated to the higher things in music. These musicales are held by the Wabash Avenue Association throughout the winter season and came to a close on Thursday night, May 13.

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Odd Fellows Annual Sermon.

The Odd Fellows held their annual sermon on last Sunday at the 8th Regiment armory. It was the largest procession of its kind ever witnessed in this city. The John C. Buckner Lodge, recently organized, was the center of attraction in the line of march. It had the honor of being escorted by the 8th regiment band from their hall to Odd Fellows hall and was first in line of the subordinate lodges. The procession was over a mile in length and was led by the First Regiment Band of Patriarchs. The large armory could not accommodate the people eager to gain admittance. Brother A. J. Brown presided at the sermon and the principal speaker was Hon. E. H. Morris, national grand master. Mr. Morris is one of the race's greatest orators, and his speeches at all times on Odd Fellowship are masterpieces. Mrs. Emma Caldwell, district Most Noble Governess, Mr. George T. Kersey, district Grand Master, delivered addresses. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Carroll of the west side. He paid a high tribute to the work being done by this order and the influence it is having for good on the men and women of the race throughout the civilized world. F. H. Artis was grand marshal of the day. The occasion will be a memorable one to the members who participated in the ceremonies and procession.

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Oscar De Priest Given Trophy.

Hon. Oscar De Priest, Alderman of the Second Ward, was given a diamond badge on Monday night at Institutional church by the citizens of the Second Ward. The church was packed. Addresses were made by Rev. A. J. Carey, Hon. E. H. Wright and others. Mr. De Priest responded with a fitting speech thanking his many friends for the honor bestowed upon him.

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Mrs. Jessie E. Jones Returns East.

Mrs. Jessie Elizabeth Jones, a stenographer from Pittsburg, Pa., who has been in our city for some time, being employed with a big firm in the loop district, returned home on Monday. While here Mrs. Jones was the recipient of many social honors of the leading clubs in the "Windy City."

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Umbrian Milwaukee Special.

Following closely upon the announcement of the Umbrian Glee's big special to Milwaukee, Wis., on Decoration Day, Mr. Pierce at the Y. M. C. A. has been besieged by persons for tickets as the reservations are limited. Mr. Cornelius Pierce, president of the club and director R. C. Kelly are hustling to end the season's work of the club in a blaze of glory. On May 23, Sunday, the Umbrian Glee Club will render a program in the Oak Park Presbyterian church, one of the wealthiest churches in this city. The soloists will be Madame Anita Patti Brown and Wm. Hann, Mr. Walter E. Gossett, organist and Mr. Theo. Taylor, pianist. It must be remembered that the fare to Milwaukee is $2.00 round trip, including admission to concert. Train leaves Evanston at noon. Leave the loop district not later than 11:45. The management of the affair is under Mr. Arthur Brown one of the best advertising managers in the country.

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Hon. E. H. Wright After Big Plum.

Hon. E. H. Wright, one of the Chicago's leading attorneys, is after a big political plum in the gift of Mayor William Hale Thompson. Mr. Wright was one of Mr. Thompson's strong leaders during the recent campaign and on Monday of this week the lawyer paid a visit to the Mayor and urged his appointment. There is some talk of the Hon. E. H. Morris being urged for a member of the school board. Many claim that either Col. Franklin A. Denison or Hon. George W. Ellis will be named as members of the Corporation Counsel's office. With two members in the Illinois legislature and a member of the City Council, the Afro-Americans of the city are well represented in Civic affairs; but will be more so when Mr. Thompson makes his appointments.

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Tuskegee Quintette Here.

The Tuskegee Quintette, of Tuskegee Institute, Ala., was in the city this week enroute from their trip to California. They were on their way to St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Charles Anderson and Mr. Luther Davidson paid the Chicago representative of the Freeman a visit at the Wabash Avenue Association. They were shown through the building and stated they were much pleased. Both were fine looking young men, very intelligent and bore a soldiery and commanding appearance. The others in the quintette were Messrs. Thomas Ray, Richard Mann, Leroy Brown and Charles Winter Wood the elocutionist.

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United States Alarmed.

The United States is alarmed over the sinking of the Lusitania on which were 116 Americans. Every daily paper is up in arms, but when has the press of this country ever been alarmed over the hundreds of black men who have ben lynched in this country. When thinking of the cruelty and stain upon history of the sinking of this ship, the thought should also be manifest in the minds of white Americans that they ought also be mindful of the barbarity and cruelty perpetrated upon the many colored men and women who are lynched each year by the supposed "decent white men." In some places it is said that German business houses are being boycotted as a result over the destruction of the Lusitania, but never have we heard of any white men in mobs being dealt with who took part in inhuman lynchings of our people. "The gods of the mills grind slowly and they grind exceedingly small.

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Greatly Improved.

Dr. T. A. Smythe, pastor of Bethel church, who has been very ill, is greatly improved, states his physician, Dr. Midian Bousfield. At one time his condition was serious, but by the care and painstaking medical service of his physician and the nursing of a trained nurse and the constant care and watching of his good wife, the noted prelate is out of danger. On Monday, Dr. Bousfield dismissed the nurse and Dr. Smythe is able to go about the house. It is hoped that he will be able to go to Atlantic City, where he will take a much needed rest. Every citizen in this city and every member of the great A. M. E. connection is glad to learn that Dr. Smythe is improving. Too much cannot be said of Dr. Midian Bousfield, the physician who attended him. Day and night he was at his bedside and watched him as a guarding angel, the result being Dr. Smythe is on the road to recovery. Dr. Bousfield is located at 3401 South State street and is a member of Bethel church.

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The Assembly Dance.

The Assembly Club gave their last dance of the season on Thursday night of last week. Probably more beautiful gowns were worn on that occasion than at any time during the year. Notable among the young Misses who were handsomely and attractively gowned were Misses Lucy C. Wright, South Bend, Ind.; Hazel Harrison, LaPorte, Ind.; Vivian Harsh, Geraldine Hodges and Jerry and Laura Miller, Naomi Bunn, Aurelia Ward, Maud Taylor. Each of these young women had special gowns for the dance. Especially sweet and charming were Misses Mildred Kennedy and Lucy C. Wright. All the members of the club wore evening dress. Music was furnished by Prof. Will Brown's augmented orchestra. Mr. Joseph Brent is president of the club and Mr. Delos Bell is secretary. It is likely that the club will give an affair during the summer when the visitors are in the city.

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Miss Elizabeth Clark May Go in Business.

Miss Elizabeth Clark, one of Chicago's leaders in society, may forsake the clubs and society circles and enter business. Miss Clark resides at 3812 Wabash avenue, and owns a flat building on South Wabash avenue that has proved a paying proposition. With the coming of the hot season, she may open a soda fountain and ice cream parlor on 35th street between Michigan avenue and Indiana. This section of 35th street is called the L of the "Stroll" as hundreds of colored people traverse it daily and nightly. Miss Clark's aunt will have charge of the business and two young charming and pretty girls will be waitresses.

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Mr. Pulius F. Taylor in New Home.

Mr. Julius F. Taylor, editor of the Broadax, and his wife, moved in their new home at 6532 St. Lawrence avenue, a few weeks ago. They are receiving congratulations from their many friends by adding more to their property holdings. Mr. Taylor has established a reputation for being one of the most fearless editors in this country and at the same time is one of the "scribes" to make the business pay and pay well. For braver and forcefulness he outstrips many of his contemporaries and uses a trenchant pen when writing against a foe; loyal and liberal when writing for a friend. The Chicago correspondent to the Freeman congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Taylor in the purchase of their new home and wishes them many years of joy and happiness.

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Death Severs Theatrical Team.

Mrs. Julia Thomas, aged 24 years, wife of William Thomas, the well known actor, died at her residence, 4448 Dearborn street, Monday, May 3d, after a long illness. Funeral services were held at her late residence Thursday, May 6. Rev. Pope officiated. Interment at Rosehill cemetery. The theatrical world has no brighter star and the entire profession sympathizes with him in the death of his wife and clever team.

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Prof. William Pickens Here.

Prof. William Pickens, the noted educator, who is now teaching in Texas, was in the city for a few hours on last Sunday, paying his respects to Mr. Alexander Jackson, the new executive secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

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Mrs. Lucretia Mitchell Goes to Kentucky.

Mrs. Lucretia Mitchell left on Thursday of this week to go to Shelbyville, Ky., to attend the commencement exercises of the Shelbyville school and to see her little nephew, Lyle Hawkins, graduate. She will be the guest of Mrs. Mayme Stone Roman, a life long chum and schoolmate. Mrs. Mitchell will take part on the program and will most likely give recitals in eastern Kentucky while there.

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Waiting for the Wedding.

Many of the friends of Miss Mabel Smith are anxiously waiting for Miss Mabel Smith's wedding to take place. A number of girls have purchased gowns for the occasion. The wedding will take place Wednesday, June 2, at Institutional church. It will be one of the swellest affairs of the season.

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Mrs. Midian Bousfield has returned home after a pleasant visit to her parents at St. Louis, Mo. She is the wife of Dr. Midian Bousfield, Chicago's coming physician and surgeon.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

A. M. E. Church: "Mother's Contribution to the Nation," was the subject of the sermon delivered in the morning by Rev. Jameson, in observance of Mothers' Day. Sunday school in the afternoon was very largely attended. Rev. Jameson preached the annual sermon to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Household of Ruth at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The Allen League meeting was led by the president, Miss Beatrice Gray. -- The Freeman, Chicago Defender and the Crisis on sale at Breedlove's Consolidated News, located at 908 North Champaign street. See the firm and get one and become wise.-- Salem church: Rev. P. F. Hawkins occupied the pulpit, speaking on the subject "Higher Attainment," at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Two persons were baptised at Crystal Lake by the pastor. The pastor led the Baptist Young People's Union services, the topic being "Why I Am Proud of My Denomination." The pastor took "Sinning Against God" as the subject of his sermon in the evening. -- Doctor H. E. Rowan has moved into his residence located at 50 East Healey street. He recently purchased the propertl. It is located in a white neighborhood. -- Miss Stella Jones served a banquet May 2nd at her residence, 1206 West Eade street, Urbana, in honor of Mrs. Effie Patter and Cleo Patter, of Indianapolis, who were delegates to the Free Baptist Convention that was held in Urbana recently. -- Dr. H. C. Buster, of Decatur, was in Champaign Sunday on professional business. -- Miss Eva Jackson, who is a teacher in Sumner High School in St. Louis, was in Champaign recently to see her people.

NOTES FROM MAYFIELD, KY.

(By Walter Wilkerson, Jr.)

Miss Sadie Irene Beadles was the charming hostess at a very delightful affair on Tuesday, when she entertained a number of her friends in honor of her sister, Miss Dora Beadles, with a surprise birthday party. The occasion will be a pleasant memory to those who were so fortunate as to be numbered among the guests. Miss Beadles was gowned for the occasion in a becoming model of blue charmeuse trimmed with lace; Miss Etta Vance, black crepe de chine; Miss Lizzie Anderson, embroidered shear white voile; Miss Augusta Moss, blue taffeta silk; Miss Ann Sanford, blue satin foulard; Miss Roxie Vance, black messaline; Mrs. Bertha Williams, silk poplin of the new sand color; Miss Patty Sanford, black messaline; Miss Rose Sanford, black silk crepe de chine; Miss Joe Jones, blue silk pongee; Mrs. Fanny Tucker, sand color satin charmeuse, trimmed with lace. Ribbon sandwiches and punch was the menu, prepared in two courses, after which informal dancing and games were enjoyed until a late hour. -- Miss Lydia Douglas and Mrs. Pearl Mathis are the new Freeman readers.-- One of the grandest hits of the season was the recital given Tuesday night by Coleridge Taylor Club at Unique Theatre. Mrs. A. I. Greene, president; Prof. I. B. Thomas, musical director; Mrs. Hattie Brisendine, accompanist. The best talent of the city appeared on the program and several encores were applauded. Luray Mae Galbreath, Walter Wilkerson, Jr., and Etta Monyette Wilkerson were the specialties. They featured "Balling the Jack Rag," "Down Home Rag," and danced the "Argentine Tango." They are the first little or big Mayfieldians to dance the real tango in this city.

EARLINGTON, KY., NOTES.

Rev. McSebree returned home Monday morning after several days absence from the city preaching at Newasia and Pembroke, Ky. He was ordained Monday afternoon. Rev. W. J. Brown, of Pembroke, Ky., preached the ordination sermon Monday night. His text was taken from 2 Tim., 4-5. He preached an able sermon. -- The A. M. E. Zion church began their May carnival Monday night. It continues throughout the week. -- The Uniform Rank of Patriarch of Sixth Regiment, Co. D, of Kentucky, will give a high-class entertainment on May 8th, at the skating ring. The rank will be inspected by the grand officers of the state. -- Mrs. Hattie Wilson, of Louisville, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Sarah Osborne. -- Mr. Douglas Terry left Saturday the 1st, for Hopkinsville, on business. -- Mrs. Lucy Hughes spent Saturday and Sunday in Hopkinsville visiting her parents. -- Mr. Daniel Johnson, of Louisville, who was very low with pneumonia and was reported dead recently, was able to accompany his sister, Mrs. Almeta Bell, home. -- Mrs. Mattie Hamilton left last Saturday night for Indianapolis to join her husband, Mr. J. A. Hamilton. He has been there about two weeks. They will make that their future home. -- The A. M. E. Zion church will give a sacred song service Sunday, May 9th, in observance of Mothers' Day. -- In order to keep up with the news of the race you need to read the Freeman, which will be delivered each week by W. M. Sisk.

BROWNSVILLE, TENN.

Rev. Pas, of the First Baptist church, was out of the city last week in Paris, Tenn., where he conducted a meeting with much success. He will remain with us the next few weeks, as he has much to do at home. -- Jas. Crosby, the tall talker, postponed his benefit concert at the First Baptist for two reasons, first reason was that the Dunbar high school will give its closing concert at the church on May 14 and on May 17 the graduating exercises. On the following week Mrs. D. M. Glenter's school will have their concert. All of the above named will take place at the above named church and Prof. J. R. says this will be the best that the Dunbar has ever offered.--Brownville can boast of lady base ball teams—The Cherry Street Knockers and the Graveyard Bumpers played some game last Friday. The Streets made 65 runs and the Graveyards 67. Some game. They play again this Friday. -- Something great coming off next week. Watch Prof. J. M. Anthony. -- Dr. R. B. Tyner was in town on business of much importance. -- If you want to know read The Freeman and keep posted. Get it from James Crosby.

NEWS OF COLUMBUS, OHIO.

(By B. H. Burnett.)

The annual May Fair held at Eleventh Street A. M. E. church this week was quite a success. Each auxiliary of the church was very active in taking a prominent part, which proved to the public that the fair is of much benefit to the church. -- A new club called Married Women's Culture Club, met last week at the residence of Mrs. Dorsey, on Champion avenue. -- Mrs. Helen Smallwood, who travels with the Dixie Minstrels, is a visitor in the city with her parents and friends. -- A very valuable present will be given to the finder of the lost lamb at the "Lost Lamb" social to be given at Shiloh Baptist church Wednesday evening, May 19th. -- Rev. E. L. Gillian, pastor of Eleventh Street A. M. E. church, preached a noble sermon Sunday morning on "The Height of God's Wisdom" to a large congregation. -- Mr. Houston Bailey, age 28, son of Mrs. James Orms, of the Orms Hotel, 219 North Fifth street, passed to the great beyond last Wednesday morning at the tuberculosis camp, where he has been confined for some time. -- He was a member of St. Paul's church. Dr. Collins officiated. Burial in Union cemetery, by Mrs. D. A. Whittaker, Friday, 1:30 p. m. -- Mrs. Etta Bowens, of 328 East Gay street, who has been sick for some time, is reported much better. -- Mr. Steele, a prominent cook on the N. & W. railroad, and Miss Elizabeth Holly, of 554 East Boone street, were solemly united in wedlock at the residence of Mrs. Laura Reynolds, 166 St. Clair avenue, Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock, by her pastor, Rev. Geo. L. Davis, of Shiloh. It was quite a surprise to her many friends. Mr. Steele wore an expression of joy and happiness, while she seemed quite nervous. Their many friends congratulated them. They will reside at 554 Boone street.-- Mrs. W. D. Smythers, of Rendville, O., was a visitor in the city last week with Mrs. Hawkins, 55 North Seventeenth street. -- Mrs. Bertha Griggs, of 660 1-2 East Long street, after spending a few days in Cleveland on business, is home again. -- Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson, of 274 St. Clair avenue, who spent several days in Cleveland, O., attending a birthday party given by Mr. Jackson at 10817 Colonial street, is home again. Jack never shaves on his birthday. -- Mr. Claud Marsh, of 229 Tallemage street, who sustained injuries at the Jeffery Manufacturing Company, where he was employed some time ago, is much better. -- Mr. C. M. Broward, of the Savoy Barber Shop, 85 East Lafayette street, is able to be out again after two months' illness. -- Nearly 2,000 feet of cement sidewalks have been laid in Garfield street, which will help to beautify and make it more popular and property more valuable. Seventeenth street is also doing the same. We hope that every colored family in the city will do all they can in the way of beautifying their homes and places where they live. Let us all sow grass seed and decorate our lawns with flowers. Clean up the rubbish and have it hauled away. Cleanliness and beautifying makes home much happier. -- The K. of P. annual sermon will be held Sunday at the Chamber of Commerce on East Broad street. It is reported that Rev. Geo. L. Davis of Shiloh will preach. The Eleventh Street A. M. E. choir will furnish music. -- Mr. Ike Barber and Miss Eva Jones, who recently married, have returned from their honeymoon trip to Washington, D. C., and Pittsburg. They will reside in their new home on Galloway avenue. -- It is reported that the new Deshler Hotel, when completed, at Broad and High street, will employ over 100 colored helpers. -- When you want to spend an hour contented in reading, buy a Freeman. -- A great game of baseball was played at Driving Park Sunday, in which Bowers Easterns defated the Utica Club, 16 to 4. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Bowers' Easterns	16	13	3
Utica Club	7	7	5

Batteries—Bowers' Easterns, Hancock and Floyd; Utica, Woodburn and Pierce.

Next Sunday the Xenia All-Stars will play Bowers' Easterns at Driving Park.

NEWS OF DAYTON, OHIO.

(By Mrs. P. R. Lawhorn.)

The Zion Baptist church had its usual large crowd Sunday morning. Baptising at 10:30 a. m. Congregational song services were conducted by Jas. S. Brown at 7:30 p. m., and beginning at 8 p. m., the B. Y. P. U. gave an interesting program. The pastor, Rev. E. E. Thompson, went to Urbana Sunday afternoon. -- The "Good Samaritans" Lodge had their annual sermon preached Sunday afternoon at McKinley church on Hawthorn street, by Rev. J. B. Anderson. -- Bethel church had a successful rally Sunday.-- Mrs. Belle Pellman, age 40, of 434 Germantown street, dropped dead about 8:15 p. m. Saturday night near Eaker street. She and her husband were en route to the home of an acquaintance when she was stricken. They had gone through the railroad yards. Coroner McKerny announced death due to organic heart disease. The body was turned over to Undertaker Loritts. -- Mrs. L. Black, of Norwood avenue, is able to be out again. -- Mr. Noble Johnson, late of Black Patti Company, is here for a while. He sends regards to friends. -- Mrs. H. Durrett entertained the members of the Muse-Us Club Friday evening at her home on Dunbar avenue. The evening was most pleasantly spent and was followed by the serving of most appetizing, delicate luncheon, which was very much enjoyed.

BRUNSWICK, GA.

On last Monday, May 3, quite a large excursion came into the city from Darion, Ga., better known as "over home." This is the first excursion of the season. The Cannon Balls of Darien had quite an exciting game of ball with the Brunswick Sports. Of course Brunswick always comes out ahead in their games. They will make Rube Foster and his Giants get a move on them. -- The Acme Tailoring Company have opened up their shop on Monk street. They invite the public to give them a trial on their clothes. We make them look like new. -- Mr. Wm. Phoenix, manager of the Eagle Eye Tailoring Company, is now in his new quarters. Mr. Robert Evans, proprietor. -- Professor Godfrey and his new brass band went out last Friday night on a serenade. To hear them you would think Arthur Pryor or some of the noted bands was here. Some class to Godfrey's Band. -- Mr. Freddie Wright is now singing that lovely song, "Hold Thou My Hand." Mr. Wright has one of the prettiest voices that any one wished to hear. Those here or there or anywhere would say: "Why don't he go on the stage or with some jubilee singers." Some class to Mr. Wright's singing. -- Read The Freeman and get wise to these facts and see just what our race is doing here, there and everywhere. The Freeman covers the South like the dew. Mr. Praylor Keith will be glad to serve you with a copy every week. So see him if you want the real race news. Nuff sed for Keith, B for Brunswick, F for Freeman, the only race news that comes to Brunswick. -- Mrs. D. P. Pyler would like to hear from her uncle, Humpy, or Roe Wollburg. Please write to me at once. Something important.

AUGUSTA, GA.

Mrs. Jno. Richardson was in the city the other day visiting her daughter, Mrs. Joe Harris. On her return she expected to take her daughter, Miss Katie Richardson, back with her, but decided to let her stay a day or two longer. And so Miss Katie returned Thursday after spending the winter up here.

Do you want to go to the Panama-Pacific Exposition free? Read about it on page 4 of this issue.

In the following picture, the Mayor of Chicago, Wm. Hale Thompson, is shown signing his first ordinance, surrounded by the following persons in the group. Reading from right to left: Alderman Oscar DePriest; Commissioner A. J. Carey, Bishop Samuel Fallows, president of the Commission; Commissioner R. R. Jackson; Thomas Wallace Swann, Secretary, and Edward D. Green, Advertising Manager.

NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL!

The Death of Gen. John Floyd King Leaves the Office of Assistant Register of the Treasury Vacant.

BISHOP WALTERS STANDS FOR RECORDERSHIP

The Colored School Situation Becomes More Acute than Ever—A Change in Administration of Colored Department Demanded by Public Sentiment—How the Calendar Stands—Judge Robert H. Terrell Warmly Received in Pittsburg—"Hiawatha's Wedding Feast" Rendered at Howard Theatre.

By R. W. Thompson.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Gen. John Floyd King, Assistant Register of of Treasury for the past year, following Prof. J. R. Strickland, of Arkansas, in the office, after it had remained vacant for several months, died last Friday morning, as a result of an attack of heart disease. The deceased had been a Confederate soldier, a member of Congress and man of business. It is said that he aspired to promotion as Register of the Treasury when Hon. Gabe E. Parker resigned to accept the post of Superintendent of the Five Civilizd Tribes of Indians. He was 73 years of age.

The position is of especial interest to the colored people of the country from the fact that it has been filled by two members of our race from the McKinley administration up to the advent of the Wilson regime, Mr. Cyrus Field Adams preceding Mr. Strickland, mentioned above. Speculation is rife as to the successr to Gen. King, and it is intimated that a number of colored adherents of the present administration will try for the place. The friends of Mr. A. E. Manning are very anxious to see the genial Hoosier secure adequate recognition and in all probability they will ask that he be named for Assistant Register, which he could fill to advantage and not be compelled to surrender other work for the magnates of his party—duties that could not be so ably performed by any other man in the country. The Assistant Registership of the Treasury carries a salary of $2,500 per annum.

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The School Situation More Acute Than Ever.

Now that the automobile accident, in which Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce and his secretary and three ladies figured prominently, has ceased to fill the popular mind to a large extent, the problem of what to do to bring order out of chaos in the colored public schools again becomes the burning issue of the hour. The situation, for reasons that will appeal to the understanding of everyone familiar with certain inside facts, has grown more acute than ever within the past two weeks. Mr. Bruce and his supporters on the Board are standing pat, in spite of the practically unanimous feeling throughout the community that there ought to be a change—and that without delay. Charges? There's the rub! It is one of the peculiarities of the celebrated case that it is difficult to single out one definite "charge" against the Bruce regime that would stick if brought to a court-martial; but there is, as has often been stated in the public prints here, a general dissatisfaction with the methods employed by Mr. Bruce in handling the schools, a general lack of confidence in his administrative ability, a general feeling of uncertainty and unrest that saps the vitality of the educational system of the entire District and destroys the efficiency of all connected with the work of intellectual uplift among our 100,000 souls. Before the esprit de corps in the school system can be properly re-established, a different atmosphere must be generated, say the masses. Ministers, professional classes, teachers, pupils and the patrons generally have lost confidence in the disposition of the existing forces to grant a "square deal," and they insist that a change be made, with the hope that something better may turn up, since the situation cannot become much worse. The Board of Education is familiar with the popular uprising, but a majority, about five out of nine, choose to ignore the complaints of the masses and fail to respond to their practically united demand for relief. The hope is expressed that in selecting the successors of the three members who retire July 1, the Justices of the District Supreme Court will be careful to choose persons who will hearken unto the voice of the substantial colored citizens and give them a Board that will make the changes necessary to a satisfactory direction of our educational interests. Sober-minded colored leaders do not disguise their fear that nothing of a definite character can be accomplished in this fight, unless the forces opposed to the present school administration "get together" and map out a program. The Bruce machine, with its immense patronage, is well-oiled, they say. The influential families all have relatives and friends in the schools, and they hesitate to act adversely, for fear their kinsfolk may "lose out;" dangerous "kickers" are pacified by a certain "blarney" that the Machiavellian assistant superintendent knows so well how to hand out—and there you are—as one observer put it the other day. Men of real class are slow to announce themselves as willing to take places on the Board, as it is a thankless job. Educators in Washington and elsewhere are backward about signifying a willingness to accept the office of Assistant Superintendent, because of the divisions in local sentiment and the disinclination to go where trouble may await them, particularly if they are doing well in their present prices. All these things add to the difficulty in reaching a solution of the school problem of the District.

In the meantime, the solons of the race have their "thinking-caps" on and are watchfully waiting developments. A public mass meeting is talked of, to give an opportunity for a public expression of views anent the situation. The papers are calling for an investigation by the Board of Education as to the circumstances surrounding the unfortunate accident on the Maryland road, as well as certain alleged irregularities in the marking of examination papers, the keeping of records and in appointments, transfers and promotions, and the failure to promote where merit would suggest advancement.

The school situation is decidedly acute and grows more so with the passing of each day. "What will the harvest be?"

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How the Calendar Stands.

The calendar, in connection with the school system, seems to stand about this way: Dr. Lucy E. Moten, principal of the Normal School, will retain her place, despite the activities of the administration against her. Fate seems to be with her in every emergency. The Hunter suit is to be abandoned. Of the three members of the Board to be appointed, the Thurston element will secure the one necessary to give it a working majority. The committee investigating the kindergarten cases will report when the Thurstonites feel strong enough to put out a just verdict. The Bruce contingent is on the run.

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THE NEWS IN TABLOID.

Prof. William Pickens, of Wiley University, Marshall, Texas, speaks at a mass meeting Friday evening at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church, under the auspices of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P.

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A western paper has sprung a rumor that Bishop Alexander Walters may be willing to stand for the Recordership of Deeds, to save the place to the race, on the theory that he alone of the persons available can be confirmed by the Senate. How much bottom there may be for such a rumor no one here is in a position to say. Letters have gone to the Bishop advising him to accept the place, if it is the only way in which the Negro can retain his hold on this valuable perquisite. As a part of the administration, it is said, he will wield a larger measure of influence than on the outside. His official duties in the Zion church can be suspended, in part, for the time being, and the church will gladly release him to perform so important a function for the race. This is the way Washington looks at it. The Bishop's answer to points at issue will be interesting reading.

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R. W. Thompson goes to New York City Saturday to "cover" the itinerary of Booker T. Washington, who is to tour Greater New York all day, May 16, under the direction of the National League on Urban Conditions.

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Word comes that Former Auditor Ralph W. Tyler is expecting a juicy official plum at the hands of Governor Frank B. Willis, of Ohio.

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Lawyer John D. Drake is to locate in Iowa, and will become the partner of the Hon. George H. Woodson, with offices at Des Moines, Buxton and other centers of Negro population. Both are graduates of the law department of Howard University and the combination will be a strong one. They will be heard from in the political affairs of the Hawkeye State in the near future.

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Mr. Joseph H. Douglass, assisted by Mr. Nathaniel Guy and Mrs. Fannie Howard Douglass, give a monster recital on the 17th at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church, under the auspices of the Alumni Association of Hampton Institute for the benefit of the Manassas Industrial School.

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The news of the death of Bishop Henry McNeal Turner brings sorrow to the followers of every denomination. The A. M. E. church has lost a stalwart. Bishop Turner was the race's "Grand Old Man."

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"Hiawatha's Wedding Feast" was rendered last Saturday night at the Howard Theater in the presence of a packed house. The production was presented by a strong cast and the costumes were rich and appropriate. Miss Abbie Mitchell never sang better and Will Marion Cook was in fine fettle as director of the Folk-Song Singers, who gave an excellent account of themselves. The affair was for the benefit of the Manassas Industrial School and a goodly sum was realized.

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Judge Robert H. Terrell was warmly received last week in Pittsburgh, where he spoke to the famous Loendi Club. The occasion was the annual observance of the birthady of General U. S. Grant. The Judge's speech was worthy of the man and the occasion.

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Mr. Harry A. Arnold, who has been living in New York for several years, has returned here for permanent residence. He has taken a fine house on Fifteenth street, in the 1700 block, one of the new "Quality Rows."

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Dudley's U Street Theater presents a strong bill this week, with Kenner & Williams, Harris & Turner and Tommy Woods as the bright and particular stars. The two teams are especially good, and Mr. Woods, a clever lad, son of the ventriloquist, Johnny Woods, is a dancer of "class." The show winds up happily with a sidesplitting skit entitled "The New Coachman," using the vaudeville performers in the cast.

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The extensive repairs made on the floor of the stage at the Howard Theater were the work of a group of boys from the Armstrong Manual Training School, under the direction of Prof. J. H. Hill, instructor in carpentry. The job was a good one and indicated the value of the training that is being offered our boys at the vocational schools of the District.

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The announcement that "String Beans" and his bunch of players would open at Dudley's last Monday was premature. The company will appear at this house later in the season.

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Prof. E. C. Williams, principal of the M Street High School, is a playwright, among his many accomplishments. His latest effort is a romantic drama, based on the thrilling period of the De Medicis in Italy, and the play will probably be presented at an early date by the Renaissance Players, who made such a pronounced hit last year at the Majestic in "The Common Enemy."

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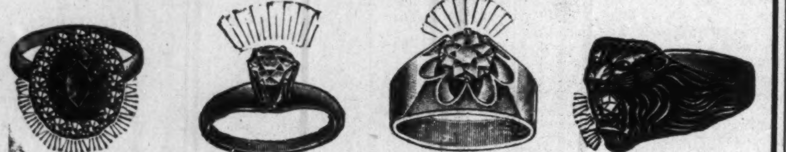

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KENOSHA, WIS.

The Anti-Tipping Bill Passed Over the Head of Governor Phillips, of Wisconsin, Last Week.

(By P. R. Savilles.)

Senator, have you stopped to think of the wages the porters are receiving in this country? Well, I shall denote to you the scales of their earnings for 48 hours a day work for a porter with pay amounting to $37.50 per per month, for a tourist car porter, which a number of people with means will not travel in a tourist car, for there are people in this car that do not know about the conditions in which people should travel. They will eat an orange and throw the peeling in the aisle of the car and a porter cleaning behind 54 people and watching for the stations of his passengers. Now, if he don't get some tips after cleaning for 54 people, how do you think he can care for the little ones at home?

A standard car porter gets $27.50 per month with the same number of hours only a better class of people to work for and if no tips what must that porter do to make a living for his wife and children? Can the railroad afford to pay a porter for his service on the cars. If they can pay a conductor, why should they refuse to pay the porter, for he has the most responsible job in the car and, as a rule, he is the most honest and reliable employe in the service of a sleeping car. The conductors have a better chance to make tips on the car than the porter with a salary of $85.00, $95.00 to $100.00 per month. Why are they drawing these salaries. Because they will not work unless they can get pay for this service and a porter he has to undergo more than the traveling public thinks. Ever now and then you will meet up with a man or a woman that have brains enough to know that the porter should have a worth while tip and when they tip you 25 or 50 cents the next four or five people will get away from you to keep you from getting that 5 or 10-cent piece that they have for you. Still the Senators are making laws every day to abolish the way the porters have to support their families.

In Canada the wages are better than in this country.

Tourist car porters get $23.50 per month; standard car porters get $42.50 per month; observation car porters get $50.00 per month and the tips are more in proportion and the average tip is 25 cents a night for a passenger. Of course, obligations are so restricting that it is awful hard for a porter to hold a job. The very best porter that ever stepped in a sleeping car is up against it all the time and his job is very uncomfortable at all times. Why don't some Senators make a law that railroads operating through their States must pay a man a salary that he can serve the traveling public without depending on tips and then you can pay your fare and service is included. I would love to see the Senator that introduced that anti-tipping bill appear as a porter under the conditions in which the porters are and see him throw up the sponge. The best porters today are out of the service on account of the life and conditions of a porter. Friends must remember friends and do for them that do for you and in the long run you will find that it is a good lesson never to turn down an old friend for a new one. Mr. Congressmen and Senators, you must remember that your promises do not go any longer with the public. The tree must be known by the fruit it bears.

G. H .EDMUNDS' LIFE IN JEOPARDY A UNITED MINE WORKER.

615 Cherry Street (County Jail),
Des Moines, Ia., May 1, 1915.

Mr. E. C. Knox, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—Yours of 17th inst., received. Enclosed find $1.50 for subscription to Freeman.

I was arrested on February 15, 1915, upon an indictment from Walsenburg, Colo., which charges me with first degree murder, claiming that I "did, upon the 29th day of April, 1914, in the county of Huarfano, State of Colorado, slay and kill one P. T. Lester, major-general of the Colorado National Guard, contrary to the laws and statutes of the State of Colorado, in such cases made and provided," etc.

No doubt you can recall the terrible times which prevailed in Colorado during the coal miners' strike which lasted about fifteen months. The horrible Ludlow massacre is still fresh in our memory. Well, during one of the many battles between the striking miners and the State soldiers, a "Major" Lester was killed. Seven officers of the miners' union were charged with the killing. I am one of the seven and am being held without bail awaiting an appeal to the Iowa Supreme Court on a writ of habeas corpus which I am praying in my fight against extradition. Will say, I am perfectly innocent of the charge. I was more than 200 miles away from the county of Huarfano, but I must prove it.

Consequently, my address will be 615 Cherry street (county jail), until further notice. I desire to say further that life in Polk county, Iowa, jail is not so bad as long as you know you are innocent and can read the Freeman.

Respectfully,
G. H. EDMUNDS,
Organizer United Mine Workers.

NEWS OF ST. JOSEPH, LA.

(By G. W. Terrell.)

Mr. G. H. Woods has returned from Chicago, Ill., where he undergone a surgical operation at St. Louke's Hospital, and he looks the picture of health. We are glad to have him among us again. -- Miss Kattie Dixon, formerly of this city, recently of Memphis, Tenn., died Saturday, April 24, and her remains were brought to this city for interment in the Villa Clara cemetery, Wednesday, April 28. She is survived by one sister and three brothers. -- Pilgrim Chapel Baptist church of this city, held their monthly meeting Sunday, May 2, and closed their revival, and baptized 23 candidates as follows: John Johnson, Alfred Pollard, Sam Pollard, Emanuel Mason, Geo. Miller, Oliva Jackson, Pearl Marshall, Sadie Middleton, Carrie Jackson, Elna Jackson, Florence Joffrion, Mary Franklin, Thelma Franklin, Gladys Jones, Emma Stewart, Mary L. Lemons, Leoma Mason, Willie Sexton, Mary Dixon, Mary Pollard, Marie Friendship, Helen Friendship, Martha Reynolds. Collection was as follows: Members, $18.70; public, $13.15; charity, $3.60. Total amount collected, $35.45. Rev. I. W. Carpenter, pastor. J. H. Jones, clerk. There was the largest crowd that has been known for many years to witness this baptizing, both white and colored. -- Mrs. Millie Wishnant, formerly of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Jefferson, died here April 27, and was interred Wednesday 28. She is survived by father and mother, three sisters and two brothers. -- Rev. I. J. Biggers, the traveling evangelist, is in our city this week, and he is preaching pure Bible, and condemning the doctrine that a great many of our preachers have been teaching, and some of our preachers are mad with him, but he don't care, for he is preaching pure doctrine from the Bible, as it is written. I would to God that we had one thousand Biggers in this country. -- When your watches, clocks, jewelry, sewing machines, revolvers, talking machines, typewriters and umbrellas need repairs bring them to G. W. Terrell, the jeweler. -- Miss Josie Baker, of Vidalia, La., is here visiting her relatives and friends. We are glad to see her in our midst.

THE DEATH OF HORACE DEAN, JR.—GREENSBORO, N. C.

Mr. Horace Dean, Jr., son of Mr. Dean, the hackman, died Sunday, May 2d. His death was a very sad affair, he taking sick from appendicitis on Friday and was operated for same on Saturday and died Sunday, May 2d, at 2 p. m. Mr. Dean was a model young man, being quiet and polite. Everybody liked him. He was a student of the A. & T. College and was in the third year class. His parents have the sympathy of the whole community in their bereavement.

Mrs. Bessie Purvis, wife of Mr. North Purvis, of South Ashe street, died from an operation on the 29th and was buried on the 30th. Mrs. Purvis was a graduate of Bennett College and a member of St. Matthews M. E. church. She was very popular and her many friends are grieved over her death.

The game of ball that was played between Biddle College of Charlotte, N. C., and Bennett College, of this city, was won by Riddle. Scores, 4 to 1. This game closed the season for the Bennett team. They played ten games and lost 2, having a percentage of 800, and from reports so far have won the college pennant of the State of North Carolina. The game of ball that was played at Salisbury between Biddle and Livingston was won by Livingston. Score, 8 to 0.

Mr. T. O. McIntosh of the Leggett Minstrels, called on the writer on Sunday the 2d, and got a copy of the Freeman. The Leggett Minstrels play at Roanoke, Va., on the 3d and pass through this city enroute to the above named place.

Rev. Wm. Long has become very much attached to the Freeman. He says that it is the most newsiest and interesting colored paper that he ever read and he comes around every Sunday morning for it. In Rev. Long the Freeman has a true friend.

The greatest of ball games will come off next week between the A. & T. Faculty and the City Business men. Much interest is manifested in this game. Prof. E. W. Fisher, captain of the A. & T. team, says that his bunch will sure win this game, but the writer who is captain of the Business Men's Club, don't believe that they will win, as we are going to put up some fight and shall not give up until the last man is out in the last half of the ninth inning. The Business Men's ball team lost to the East Market Street Baptists Sunday School team on the 29th. Score, 4 to 3. Batteries, Business Men's Club, Hays and Cannon; Baptist S. S., Nevilles and Thacker.

Mr. Jess Edmonson of High Point, N. C., was in the city and attended the Bennett and Biddle ball game on the 30th.

The agent sends his regards through the Freeman to Mr. Brown, manager of Brown's Tennessee Minstrels, also to Messrs. Pratt, Veal and Thomas of Wolcott's Rabbit Foot Co.

Mr. Harry Torrence, better known as Ice Cream Joe, and proprietor of the cafe on Garrell street, has a highly prized and well trained horse which will do many wonderful tricks. Mr. Torrence trained this horse himself and has exhibited it in the Central North Carolina Fair, in this city, and the State Fair at Raleigh, N. C.

Rev. John W. Wells, Pinkine Wells and Wm. Wells, all ministers of the M. E. church of the North Carolina Conference, were in the city to attend the funeral of their mother, who died in Lumberton, N. C., and was buried in this city on April 25th.

McDONALD, PA.

The services were well attended on last Sunday. We were treated to two good sermons by our pastor, in the morning from Eccle. 12th chapter, 14th verse, and at night from Mark, 1st chapter and 13th verse. It being missionary day, the women had a very interesting program prepared for the afternoon session.

The Carnegie and McDonald lodges of K. of P. will hold their Thanksgiving services at the First Baptist church, McDonald on Sunday, May 23. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Triggs, of Pittsburg.

Mrs. R. E. Tweedy was a business caller in Pittsburg last Thursday.

Mr. A. P. Christian visited his daughters in Pittsburg last Sunday. While there he visited Mr. Mose Taylar, of this place, who is now confined in the Mercy hospital.

The Knights of Pythias gave a grand reception on last Monday night in honor of the Grand Chancellor Commander Sir B. G. Collier, of Philadelphia, who is making his yearly visit through western Pennesylvania. A delicious lunch had been prepared by the lodge members' wives and after listening to a timely address from Sir Collier the large number present were served with the delicacies already prepared.

The Misses Mary and Margaret Harris, of Crafton, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Harris, on Sunday.

Miss Nannie Straitor, of Bellevue, visited her sister, Mrs. Chas. Redd, on last week.

OGDEN, UTAH.

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Mrs. L. Davenport gave a birthday party on Monday, April 26, in honor of her son, Mr. George Skaggs.

Mrs. Eldorsa Hayes gave a home coming party April 29, in honor of her brother, Harrison White.

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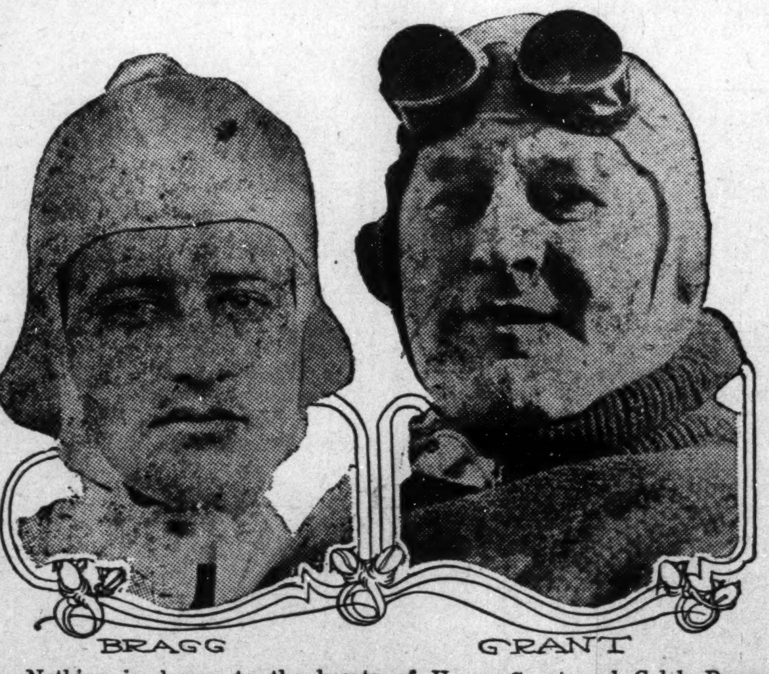

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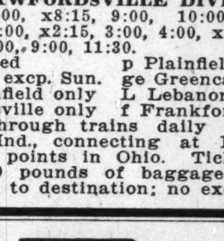

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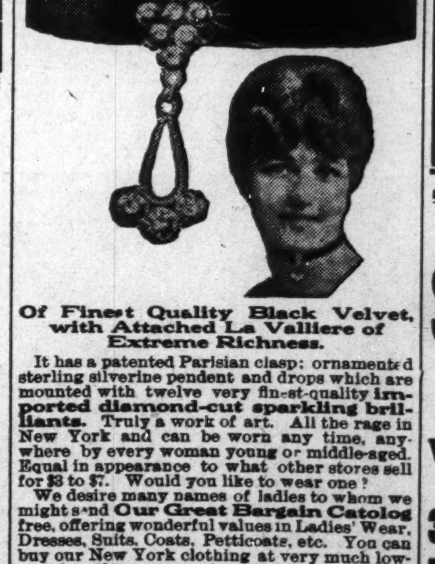

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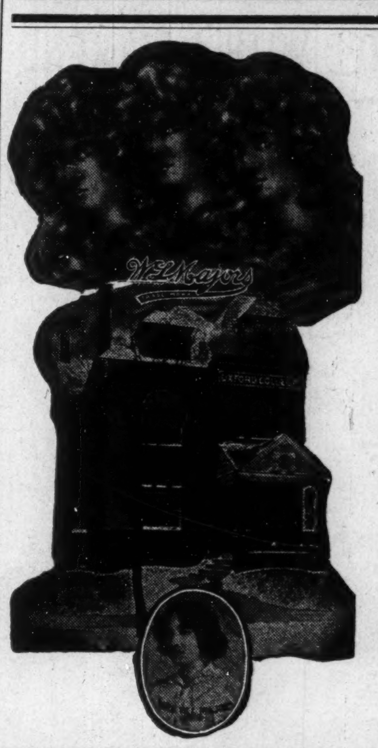

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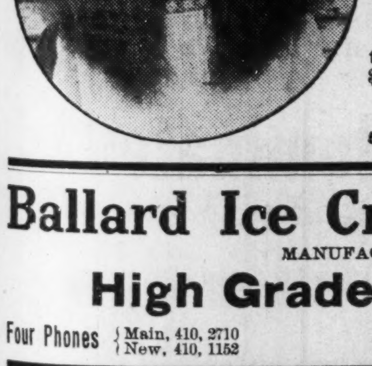

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Mrs. Jane Neal is a barber at Sapula, Okla., and does a good business.

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Mrs. Eva Monroe is a leading club and charity worker at Springfield, Ill.

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Miss Reanna Wright, Claremore, Okla., has completed a course in pharmacy.

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Mrs. B. J. Covington is manger of the Ladies' Symphony Orchestra at Nashville.

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Mrs. Jessie Johnson is president of the City Federation of Women's Clubs at Chicago.

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Miss Hallie L. Reid is one of the matrons at the Central State Hospital, Petersburg, Va.

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Mrs. S. A. Lindsay is the newly appointed matron of Emory Hall, Wilberforce University.

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Miss Arbitra Love has charge of the hair dressing parlors at the Fordyce bath house, Hot Springs, Ark.

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Miss Cora Ganaway is one of the visiting nurses in the employment of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

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Miss Nellie M. Prentiss owns and manages a delicatessen and confectionery store at North Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Miss Edna Mae Lindsay is supervisor of the Oklahoma City Kindergartens. The city has three kindergartens and just held a festival of 150 voices of the little tots.

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Dr. Mary F. Waring is the only female member of the commission to arrange for the Half Century Golden Jubilee of Negro Freedom to be held during the month of August at Chicago.

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Miss Maud Roberts was the only colored pupil in the recital of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Devries, Chicago. Miss Roberts received three encores, being the most popular student who appeared.

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Miss Mae Coleman, Chicago, stood second in a recent examination held for stenographers by the Civil Service Commission. One hundred took the examination and Miss Coleman was the only colored.

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Miss Irene C. Porter graduated from the high school at the age of seventeen. Miss Porters hows a wonderful aptitude for writng short stories and is also quite musical. She plays on both the piano and the violin.

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Mme. Mabel Overton, proprietor of the Quality Shop, Nashville, Tenn., was awarded the contract for the uniform spring hats for the girls at Fisk University. Mme. Overton was one of many competitors and won over the others because she offered the best hat of style and quality at the most reasonable price.

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The faculty of Simmons College, Mass., has informed one of the students that she must modify her style of dress or resign. The students contend that they should be allowed to dress to suit themselves. Some say they would prefer to resign rather than to be compelled to go back to the dresses of a few years ago.

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Mrs. Josephine Pankey is librarian of the Colored Public Library at Little Rock, Ark. She encourages reading on the part of the pupils of the colored schools by visiting the buildings in person, carrying helpful books and descanting upon the merits in chatty "conversationes." Recently, Mrs. Pankey gave practical evidence of her strong public spirit by organizing a "Woman's Exchange," through which she hopes to interst all members of her sex in movements looking to the civic uplift of the community.

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"Please pass the pomelo" will be the correct thing at the table from now on, as the authorities of the Department of Agriculture have decided to rechristen the delicacy we have been knowing by the misleading title of "grape fruit." The cultivated fruit no longer grows in clusters, like gigantic bunches of grapes, as it did in its uncultivated state. The fruit now grows in groups of two and three, but generaly singly. Housekeepers will remember to call for "pomelo" henceforth, instead of "grape fruit," if they wish to be "strictly a la mode."

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The "new feminism" asks: "What doth it profit a woman to spend thousands of dollars and many precious years to prepare herself for a specialized profession, if all is to be terminated when she obeys the natural instinct of humanity and enters the wedded state?" Why may not a woman follow the bent of her talents and tastes as well as a man? Why should a woman of inteligence and training be compeled to restrict herself to the routine of housekeeping if she prefers to teach school, go into business or follow any calling for which she deems herself fitted?

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What Can You Do?

Not long ago there came into my business office at different times two young women applying for work. I said to them, "What can you do?" I knew what they had been taught. I knew they could enter a drawing room; I knew they had that fine quality called style; both of language and of dress; that they would shine at a reception and honor a home. I said to them, "What can you do?" for poverty had come to the door and the nose of the wolf was inside the front window. They said to me, "Nothing:"—Selected from Life.

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A GIRL'S EDUCATION.

The task of self-education is a comparatively easy thing if a girl goes at in the right spirit. According to the standard set by Mme. Anita Patti Brown, whose uplifting talks in connection with her high grade musical work, have been of great benefit to the young women who have heard her from ocean to ocean, all a girl has to do to complete her education is to learn:

To sew, to cook, to mend, to be gentle, to value time, to dress neatly, to keep a secret, to avoid idleness, to be self-reliant, to darn stockings, to respect old age, to make good bread, to keep a home tidy, to be above gossipping, to make home happy, to control her temper, to take care of the sick, to take care of the baby, to sweep down the cobwebs, to marry a man for his worth, to read the very best of books, to take plenty of active exercise, to be a helpmate to her husband, to keep clear of trashy literature, in short—to be a womanly woman under all circumstances.

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A feature of the Housekeepers' Club of Nashville is their rountable discussion. At their last meeting they discussed "How to Beautify Home Surroundings" and many helpful hints and suggestions were brought out by the different members.

"An optimist is one who is never disturbed by anything that happens unless it happens to him."

Why women marry: Some women marry because they haven't the courage to remain single. Some women marry because a man has asked them to and they don't like to say "no." Some women marry because they want a little more money in their purses and larger credit at the stores. Some women marry because they want to put "Mrs." on their visiting cards and the word wife on their tombstones. Some women marry for money—money and nothing else. And with it there come responsibilities of which they never dream. Some women marry because they love the man; because they want to be his wife, his friend, and his helpmate; because they want to make him feel that there is one woman in the world whom he can love and cherish, and from whom he will receive love and consideration in return; because they want to make him feel that if sorrow comes he has a sympathizing, loving friend close beside him, and that in the day of joy there is one who can give him smile for smile. These are the only women worth marrying. Reader, which are you?

MADAM CAROLYN MONTGOMERY, CONTRALTO—DAYTON, OHIO.

(F. M. McIntyre.)

The recital given by Madam Carolyn Montgomery was par excellent. Madam Montgomery came here under the auspices of the Jordan Club of Sprague Street Baptist church. The Madam is a contralto singer of no mean ability. It has been said by the music loving critics that she is the greatest colored contralto before the American public today. The local talent which appeared upon the program with the Madam was better than usual and highly appreciated by the large audience present.

Miss Susie Hopings is visiting her grandmother at Crown Point. Miss Hopings was formerly a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Mary Candler, of Williams street ,is improving slowly and her many friends will be glad to see her out again.

Miss Mabel Underwood, of Xenia, Ohio, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives and friends in Dayton and left Sunday night for Detroit, Mich., where she will spend the summer with friends.

Miss Yetie Bell, of 30 Washington, is much better at this writing.

Friends of Mr. S. Bell, the proprietor of the Sanitary Tonsorial Parlors, will be glad to know he is to be back at his old stand, 1019 Germantown street, again.

Mother's Day was held at Zion Baptist church Sunday and a very large number of people were out. It was indeed inspiring to listen to aged mothers tell of their Christian life and how they were still pressing onward and upward. Much credit is due pastor and members in making the dear mothers as comfortable as if they were in their own homes and allowing them full sway of the service. God grant we shall not forget these old gray-haired mothers.

Miss Tedie Hickhan, of 137 Olive street, is soon to leave for her summer home.

The Men's Club of St. Marguerite Episcopal church is doing nicely.

The famous Marco base ball team, under the leadership of Manager John Matthews, kept up their winning streak Sunday by defeating the fast Miamisburg club at Westwood Field Sunday before a crowd of 5,000 cheering fans. The Miamisburg team is one of the fastest white clubs in this neck of the woods. Deem, the Marco's slabman, struck out fifteen men and let them down with two scratch hits. Wilson started things off for the Marco's by securing the first hit of the game in the fourth inning by slashing out a hot two-bagger and a moment later scored on Carr's single after Evans had walked. Dunn pitched in championship form. It seems that the stay at West Baden did the club a great deal of good this spring. Deem did not allow a hit until the seventh frame and Burk for the visitors made the first hit, a single through second base, which Dock, the Marco's second sacker, tried hard to get. Next Sunday they tackle the St. Mary's Cadets, the team which beat them out of the championship game last year. Thompson, the star shortstop, sprained his ankle, sliding into second base after making a slashing hit to right field and was unable to play the rest of the game. Matthews then sent Dock to short and Johnson, a new man, to second and he played the middle bay as if he had been there all the time. In the seventh inning he went back to center and pulled down a fly that looked good for two bases. He is very fast on the bases and a timely hitter. From the present outlook he is sure to stick with the team. Evans, who was behind the plate, never caught a prettier game in his life than he did Sunday. Without a doubt he will make a fine battery mate for Deem. Ned Gilliam, the star back stop, will probably be here some time this week from his home in Virginia.

MOUND CITY, ILL.

Rev. Jas. H. Dennis, of St. Louis, has been called to pastor the Zion Traveler Baptist church in the north end and has added nine additions to the church since his revival held recently. The members of this denomination are regular readers of the Freeman.

Daniel Parrish, formerly of this city, but now of Chicago, writes the reporter of the Freeman that he is now making $50.00 per week as pianist for the Joan Sawyer Company, a white act. Mr. Parrish is a graduate from our high school and received his fundamental training from Mrs. J. W. Ware in music. This record he is making should appeal to other young men of our town that if they are prepared in their chosen profession when they go to the larger cities they can make good. $50 per week and expenses speaks well for a young man from the rural district, better known as Egypt.

The Sumner high school, of Cairo, and the Lovejoy high school here, played a fine game of ball at the Cairo park Friday afternoon, April 7th. The scores were 8 to 5 in favor of the Lovejoy high school. Our lineup was Hamilton, c; Bletson, p; Adams, ss; Smith, fb; Vaughn, sb; Henderson, tb; Vaughn, Jr., rf; Howard, cf; Penn, lf; Ballard, sub., and Atty. Tansil, umpire. Watch for the next game in the Freeman, which tells what our race is doing in intellectual, vocational and athletic advancement.

Mrs. Annie L. Rice has been brought home from the St. Mary's hospital, of Cairo, and is improving nicely.

The Peerless club met at Mrs. N. J. Greene's Wednesday and arranged the following program for its "Cotton Carnival" at S. M. T. Hall May 10th: Music, Clemons and Tansil; welcome address, Mrs. Mary Watts; response, Mrs. Nettie Washington; instrumental solo, Ethel Johnson; reading, Mrs. Gertrude Webb; instrumental selection, Miss Grace Thompson; reading, Lois Speese; solo, Miss Grace Green; history of club, Mrs. Lulu Bolen; prophecy of club, Mrs. F. Lindsay.

The annual Thanksgiving service of the G. U. O. O. F. was held by the Dexter Lodge at the A. M. E. church Sunday, May 9th. Rev. W. H. Speese preached the Thanksgiving sermon and Prof. J. W. Ware delivered the address upon Odd Fellowship.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

(By Nellie Early, 719 N. Cox St.)

The Civic League met April 27 with a good program at McCabe's church. Among the numbers on the program were an able sermon by Rev. Mackey, pastor of McCabe church; address Mr. C. Tinsley; addresses, Dr. Beverly, and Mr. Eugene Hayden ably spoke on "Home Life." Rev. Mackey and family, of Sturdon, Mo., are pleasantly domiciled on East Wolcott street.

A woman's club known as the Progressive Pull, was organized recently at the Second Baptist church.

Among those on the sick list who are improving are Mrs. Ida Guthrie, Mrs. C. H. Freeman and S. Rhoades.

Mrs. Maggie W. Wagner Lane attended the funeral of her son, Elmer Lee Wagner. She was from Chicago, Ill.

Dr. Beverly has removed his office to 214 South Main street over the harness shop.

The next Civic League meeting will be the third Tuesday night at Mt. Emery Baptist church in May.

Mr. Fred Shannon returned home April 28 from Hannibal, Mo., where he has been visiting his friend.

The Literary League met April 30 with a large attendance at Mt. Emery Baptist church and an excellent program was rendered. Among the numbers was a reading, "The Negro;" Miss Nellie Early; vocal solo, Miss Ina O. Bryant; pianist, Miss Bevie Ross; recitation, Helen Howard; instrumental solo, Bernice Scruggs; vocal solo, Katharine Hayden; instrumental solo, Gladys Hayden. The program was rendered by Miss Clara Davis, who is on the program committee.

The funeral services of Master Elmer Lee Wagner were held April 29 on South Mauraistere street, at the home of Mrs. Lucinda Wright, with whom he made his home. Rev. Noland preached the funeral. He was ably assisted by Rev. Mackey. He was a lovely child, loved by all. The flowers were many and beautiful and were kindily cared for by friends. Interment was in East cemetery.

Rev. Noland and wife left for St. Charles, Mo., to take up his pastorate there. He preached his farewell sermon May 2d at the McCabe church, where he was formerly pastor.

Miss Alice Johnson, a Junior of J. H. S., was awarded the second button for the fastest and best penmanship.

The McCabe church has been organized in four clubs and will hold a rally the first Sunday in July.

The Fourth Ward team defeated the First Ward boys in the ball game recently.

Miss Nellie Early, our reporter, writes nicely calling cards. Fifteen cents a dozen. Try a dozen. Read The Freeman. — The Easter program was rendered at Mt. Emery Baptist church by the Sunday school as follows:

PART I.

Song, pupils of the Sunday school.
Responsive reading, Mrs. M. Bryant.
Song, Gladys Hayden and Arra Mallory.
Recitation, Helen Waggoner.
Song, Mrs. Coffman's class.
Recitation, Will Douglass.
Song, Hazel Bell Duncan's class exercise for five, Jessie Faucett, Willie Berry, Frank Douglass and Willie Douglass.

PART II.

Song, Gladys Moore and Katharine Malone.
Recitation, (a) Frances Malone, (b) Rene Hamilton.
Song, pupils and school.
Recitation, (a) Daniel Tinsley, (b) Clyde Hayden.
Song, primary class.
Recitation, Bernice Mosely, Mattie Berry, Helen Howard and Margaret Wilson.
Song, pupils of school.
Recitation, William Majors.
Song, Katharine Hayden.

PART III.

Recitation, Gracie Moore.
Song, primary class.
Duet, Willie Douglass and Willie Berry.
Graduating class of Mrs. Mosely.
Benediction, Dr. E. L. Scruggs.

AUGUSTA, GA.

(By Noble P. Willis, Jr.)

Thankful Baptist church, Rev. L. P. Pinkney, D. D., pastor, has closed a most successful revival. Sunday Dr. Pinkney baptized 37 converts. Dr. Griffin, of Atlanta, returned to Atlanta after spending eight days helping Dr. Pinkney. Come again, Doctor. — Ninth street is blooming with colored places of business. Mr. Montie Butler has opened up a first class bakery at the corner of Ninth and Hopkins streets. We are soon to have a colored store at the corner of Ninth and Spruce streets, conducted by a company of ladies. We will hear from them later. It is a great pleasure to walk through Ninth street from South Bary to Broad and see so many large places of business conducted by colored men and women. Such places as Mrs. Roundfield's Ice Cream Parlors, the Standard Merchandise Company, the Buroughs Sanitarium, the Augusta Merchandise Company, the People's Furniture Company, the Penny Loan and Trust Company, Dr. Gordon's Drug Store, then around the corner at 930 D'Antignou street is located Mrs. Julia H. Dent, undertaker and embalmer, with a full line of caskets of all descriptions. Mrs. Dent is to Augusta what Madame Walker is to Indianapolis. On the corner of D'Antignou and Ninth is located the beautiful ice cream parlors of McLaughlin & Chile. At 846 Ninth street is McLaughlin Hat Cleaning and French Dry Cleaning and Dye Works. Jane Williams, corner of Ninth and Barnes streets, watch maker and jeweler. Next block is Mr. Jennings' large meat market and the Eureka Hotel. We are now at the end of our colored places. Next week we will take a trip through the colored business parts of Givenette. — Miss Sophia McLaughlin is now located at the Progressive Ice Cream Parlors smiling as usual. Mr. Will Chiles is in Yamissie, S. C., this week.—The dance at Riverside Park Wednesday evening under the auspices of Haines Alumni was a big success. Music was furnished by the Second Regiment Band. — You can find The Freeman at McLaughlin & Chile's Ice Cream Parlors.

MARSHALL, TEX.

Marshall was visited by one of the hardest rains May 6th that has fallen in this part of the State in a long time.

Willy University is having its closing exercises. It will close on the 12th until next October. The program is excellent.

The Marshall Scott King baseball club is playing some mighty good games. Colored people ought to go out and encourage the boys. So far they have not lost but one game this season. They will play a game tomorrow. They have a beautiful park in the West End on West Houston avenue.

All of the colored teachers were elected for next term with the exception of one.

See James F. Washington for The Freeman. He will deliver to any part of the city. Help race enterprise.

TERRELL, TEX.

The A. M. E. revival will go on another week. The results of last week's meetings were seven additions to the church.

Rev. Williams, of Dallas, and Rev. Boyd, of Waxahachie, are here assisting Rev. Garden in his meeting.

Rev. E. G. Young, P. C. of the C. M. E. church was at his post Sunday at 11 o'clock and preached an able sermon. Six persons joined the church, four for baptism. He also began his revival Sunday. At this writing eleven have been added to the church this week.

Green Chapel B. H. M. Sisters had a reception at their church Monday evening in honor of their district director. Also a big spelling bee Monday night. Mrs. V. H. Hawkins won a sack of Lock's best flour as a prize.

Mrs. Norris Colman, of Elmo, spent Sunday and Monday in the vicinity visiting friends.

Mrs. Mary Lewis is on the sick list this week.

Rev. H. W. Webb was called to attend a funeral down below Corsicana Wednesday morning.

HOPKINSVILLE, KY.

Mrs. Gilmore Smythe and little daughter, of Sebree, Ky., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Jerry Smythe, Campbell street.

Mrs. Will Summers, of First street, remains quite ill.

Lawyer C. W. Merriweather and wife Mrs. Rosa Merriweather, will leave Thursday, May 13th, for Bowling Green, where Lawyer Merriweather will deliver the annual address to the graduating class at the Bowling Green Academy. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Cornelia Steele and Miss Hattie Irving.

Mr. Morton Batsen and several other gentlemen of the city spent a few days in Louisville seeing the races.

The Old Folks' Concert will reappear at Lane's Tabernacle in the near future.

Mrs. Medie Ladd Lamb left Saturday for Louisville, to join her husband, Mr. Allie Lamb.

Miss Ophelia Ladd left Saturday for Chicago, where she will spend an indefinite time.

The concert given at Freeman Chapel, Monday evening, by the teachers of the public school, was quite a success.

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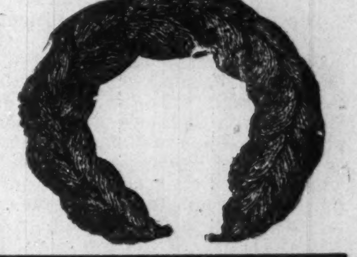

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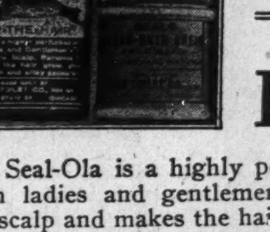

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When persons are particularly anxious to see you get into trouble it is a good time to stay out.

We should avoid adding to the horror of this day if possible. The provocation is great, but as long as it was not meant as such there should be a feeling in kind on our part. No man or nation will endure a continuous, studied affront. Is that the situation in this case? If so we cannot escape war.

One of our exchanges has it that a Negro lawyer who appeared at the Camden County Superior Court, South Carolina, recently, had to be protected by the sheriff because the natives had never seen a Negro lawyer. It is not said that he was in danger of being hurt; they were merely curious; they wanted to see what a Negro lawyer looked like. And the curiosity is reasonable enough. It is only recent that the thought has become current that the Negroes could take on enough education to be a lawyer or anything else requiring brains.

The market is beginning to look its very best. The various "green goods" are resplendent in crispness and color, causing ones appetite to take courage in spite of the sometimes ennui that besets that portion of our anatomy which is most concerned—the stomach. Now's the time to eat what nature is offering up. These seem to be the first fruits, as of sacrificial days, and we, the human altars of consumption, greet them with that pleasure and eagerness that may be as one with the feeling of the ancients when they offered up their firstlings.

While we are having ups and downs it is wrong to get the notion that we are getting the worst of it at all times even where the worst is expected. Down in Terrell, Texas, the colored citizens had occasion to thank the white business men for the donation of baseball suits and so forth for the colored baseball team of that city. That's "purty" good. If we get any baseball suits and so forth up this way we buy them. But hold up! It is not that bad. If we do not get baseball suits we get Y. M. C. A.'s, churches and other things of a big substantial nature. Guess we are not altogether undesirable citizens in any old place where we have a foothold.

R. W. Thompson, the well known newspaper correspondent, in speaking of the production of "The Birth of a Nation," the moving picture play at Washington, D. C., said:

"The much-condemned play, 'The Nigger,' was shown here at Crandall's Theatre, and went its way without attracting any attention out of the ordinary. If the film reflected on the colored people, the N. A. A. C. P. did not seem to know it. Many bright-hued colored people saw it and all agreed that the worst thing about it was its misleading title. Rev. J. Milton Waldron, pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, declared that the play's awful indictment of the liquor evil fully justifies its existence. The colored citizens of the capital refused to get excited over the play and robbed it of much advertising thereby. Crandall's does not omit persons known to be 'colored.' "

Are the colored people of Washington more phlegmatic than those of Boston? Well, Washington has on its annual school scrap. May be that is absorbing all of the surplus energy at this time.

The St. Louis Argus rejoices in the fact that the $10,000 suit against that pubilcation ended with a verdict of one cent for the plaintiff. It says the press gang will gladly raise the necessary amount to settle the verdict. It's bad business monkeying with a buzz-saw. A newspaper is a most dangerous opponent. It can speak so loud. Homer speaks of some of the wounded in the Trojan war bellowing like bulls, so that they were heard over the roar of battle. That ain't a patchin' to the newspaper's voice. It talks in New York and is heard in California, and then some. We congratulate the Argus from the viewpoint of journalistic brotherhood. We are not in for crucifying the public, or individuals, nor do we think that the Argus or any other thoughtfully edited journal has that in view. We are not on to the nature of the quarrel, and, of course, run a risk in congratulating before we know the facts. However, we take a chance, thinking that the editor is just about the same as the rest of us, who do not think of using our advantage in maligning and making small of individuals.

In replying to Ralph W. Tyler who wanted to know why the ban could not be removed and Jack Johnson be allowed to return to the United States since he is no longer the champion slugger, the Philadelphia Tribune takes a position which is the one usually taken, but which is not fair to Mr. Johnson or to the race. It says:

"Mr. Johnson is an undesirable citizen, who has done the race more harm than good, and should continue to live abroad rather than at home for his own and his race's best interests."

Perhaps he will be set down as undesirable because of the sentence over his head. And, at that, he is desirable enough on a part of a few citizens. We ought to think of Jack Johnson, somewhat in the sense of a hero. He did the thing that all Negroes are contending for. Not to marry white women, especially, but to claim every right under the flag. We do not mean the defacto, but the de jure. Many things are not expedient to do, but when done, when right, are not to be lamented. America is now standing up for a principle in the present war. It may not secure us what we want, but it is a righteous contention just the same. White publications are more tolerant than some of us. More than one has conceded that white men in Johnson's class have done things similar, and which provoked no unusual comment. We go into theatres, restaurants, and are ordered out. These things should not be. Our race is the cause of it. Jack Johnson's trouble was owing to the fact that he was a Negro. We are just as troublesome as he is. Are we to stop living on that account?

FIGURING US OUT.

Dr. Bernard Dernburg, former Colonial Secretary, speaking in Cleveland, May 10, on the need of readjustment of present conditions, had very much to say regarding a worldwide policy for establishing permanent peace. He recites the present and past relations of the principal European peoples and those of Asia who are at present concerned in the disturbance that reigns. His recital was interesting and informing, and much of his comment, doubtless, will not fail to engage the serious attention of those who see the article.

As Negroes we take exceptions to his stand on the colored races, the Africans and their extractions. Here follows in part what he had to say of the colored races in the wars:

"Has Great Britain not stood for an open-door policy in China and for the preservation of the integrity of the celestial empire, and yet is it not now paying the full price to Japan for helping to drive the Germans out of the far east? Has it not always considered itself a trustee of the white race in defending its superior culture and intelligence against the superior numbers of colored people of the world and does it not now bring in Indians and Negroes, Fiji islanders and all sorts of subject races in order that its sons may be spared to fight? Great Britain knows the crime it is perpetrating against the future of the white race; it knows the mentality of its colored allies, whom it is now teaching that they are the real thing, that the white men cannot fight or decide their own feuds without the decisive help of the colored races.

"There are thinking Englishmen, experienced in colonial affairs, who know the enormity of the action and they shudder in thinking out the consequences of the short-sighted policy. There will be a different Asia henceforth and instead of the beneficial and educational preponderance of the white race on the strength of its superior experience and its conquest of nature, there will be a constant menace from these people, as a consequence of a policy that is sure to break up, at the very first opportunity, the British Asiatic empire.

"It must, therefore, be stipulated in any peace instrument that the use of colored troops in any struggle in which a white nation of the white race is a belligerent must not be permitted and that furthermore the stipulation of Berlin and the Congo agreement shall be revised and strengthened, whereby colonial possessions are considered as neutralized and must be kept so during any war in which European nations are the principals."

The writer had very little to do in taking a fling at the poor Negroes. Whatever their status in the present fight is not owing to their own doing. That England and France should have dragged them in is their own affair, and they, the Negroes, are not peculiar subjects for belittlement because they were dragged in. We would think that those countries, France and England, know what they are doing, and that they are satisfied with the results in spite of the Negroes' mentality whatever that may be. The question of the modes of warfare in this war has no place on the program of human usage in wars. The Negroes are at least human and not asphyxiating gases, nor undersea bombs by way of submarines.

We are not quarreling with Germany because of her method of warfare. War is war, and the niceties of the past, if there were any, were simply the result of a sort of conventional consent. In fact we rather take to the German view of fighting, if one must fight. Why should there be rules? Fighting to the death should not admit of any rules as between the belligerents. We mean that there should be no fighting. While not quarreling with that country we cannot see why any member of it of such standing as the colonial secretary should seek to dehumanize the Negroes even should their potency in the battle line be more or less than that of other men. If of less value than other men, what's the objection? If of more value why not praise for the extra endowment of man? We are very much afraid the gentleman has made a mess of his worldwide message of prospective permanent peace.

UP TO THE PRESIDENT.

One of the English papers in discussing the distressing incident which is at this time the talk of the world, said that it was up to the United States, meaning virtually that we had to fight or back down from our high resolve of holding Germany to strict accountability for wrongs endured by this country at the hands of Germany. Naturally enough the English would wish to see us array ourselves on the side of the allies and thus further reduce Germany's chance of success. Many of our own countrymen feel the same way, that it is up to us to do something that counts in answer to the destruction and woe wrought by Germany, not to speak of what appears a national affront.

Notwithstanding all this we stand with President Wilson in his program of conservation. Evidently he is, and has always been a man for peace. He is against the inhuman practice of war. We are very fortunate in having him president in this respect. There are but very few reasons why the sword of desolation should sway. Our own Civil War was one that was justifiable in the consciences of all right thinking men. In fact, it will be difficult to think of additional reasons for war beyond the one of lifting men from the slough of bondage.

National honor and dignity requires that the strictest inquiries be made concerning the destruction of the Lusitania, concerning the American lives; concerning the violation of neutrality rights, but unless the "insult" was studied, meant to offend, we should seek other methods of adjustment than actual war. Some are inclined to scoff at the President because he uttered the high toned principle that there was a sense of nobility in avoiding fighting. We will not think that he meant to endure determined insult for the nation any more than he would for himself as an individual. The bravest are the tenderest. They will be sure that fight is meant, thus making for clear, clean consciences, the influence of which has its weight in all of our various battles. To deny this would be to upset the teachings which have made this bright day of our civilization.

Were the various acts of Germany which has cost this country loss of lives and shipping meant to be hostile, is the question. Apparently they were not. They were meant to reach her enemies, and as great as those losses are they are but the incidents of a great war which has chosen practically the wide world for its scope. Germany should not escape an accounting; not by adding to the present war, increasing its area and desolation unless it be the intent of Germany to have it that way. In that event this country should lose no time in adding to the horror, in order to teach a world lesson that America has rights, that non-combatting countries have rights that belligerents are bound to respect.

True enough the native Germans are rejoicing; the Austrians are rejoicing. But the object is England. If we come in for a small part of this contempt it is because of our avowed sympathy for that country. It is indeed up to us to act. It is up to act in such a way as maintain our prestige as the nation of peace. We will do it in this instance if we avoid the hot heads who have in mind their personal vanity rather than the public weal. The acts committed were incidents of war, while grevious, yet they were that. It is clearly up to Germany to modify her war program as it concerns the seas if it does not want its hate of the entire world. If our country can induce that country to be more considerate for the passengers and traffic of peaceful nations it is as much as could be expected. It is human and noble to consent to such a program, since it has but little to do with determining the issue of the war.

THE EQUAL RIGHTS BILL.

The Equal Rights bill which has been before the legislature of Pennsylvania for several weeks has just reached the stage of second reading. From indications the bill will pass, but without the hurrah with which it was attended at the beginning. It is only recently that the colored people of that state have felt the necessity for such a bill. As a rule they have been going, pretty much, where they chose, in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia as well as in the smaller cities. Restrictions in moving picture theaters caused the trouble. In a case which was carried to court the colored people won in the effort to be admitted to the theatres, any of them. But the mere winning, apparently was not sufficient. It is probable that there was a well defined program to keep the colored people out of the better class houses. Hence the appeal to the legislature.

We are rather skeptical as to the result of such appeals, such legislation. It is right and proper to resort to every legal means in order to secure justice and proper civil treatment. But it is a pity when it becomes necessary to resort to legal force. The history of this kind of business has shown that such procedure has done scarcely more than lay bare the facts of inoperative laws as they concern our race. If mandatory legislation and judicial decisions compelled obedience it would be far different. In honor to the courts and the sometimes legislation the right thing, the thing according to law is ordered. But as they concern our race the thing ordered or the ordering is often disobeyed in one way or the other.

The railroad companies have been enjoined to provide equal facilities for Negro passengers. They pay it no mind. Every community in this commonwealth of states is enjoined by the letter and spirit of the general constitution to accord every citizen the same consideration. As it concerns many of our communities those laws are "perfectly" dead. In Indiana we have a Civil Rights law, but it is useless; it simply cumbers the statute books, adding merely to their bulk.

Of course, there is no downright reason for special laws, since the situation is cared for in a genral way. That is, there is no downright necessity in the sense that the situation is not cared for. The apparent necessity comes from the fact that the general laws do not fit up close about local situations. To get the benefit of the latter amendments to the constitution it has been found necessary to fight a case up to the Supreme Court. If this awful process were the end all of the business it would be profitable to fight a case to that court and get one decision for all time. Unfortunately and perhaps fortunately that great court can not issue blanket decrees that can care for every possible law suit. We note that if it "undoes" a trust, it must yet undo the next one—one at a time.

When one files a suit against a theatre or restaurant the statewide law arrests the procedure towards the Supreme Court, thus localizing the laws, making what is expected immediately mandatory and less expensive. A poor suitor could not be expected to carry his case to the Supreme Court. The fact that the suitor gets justice quicker by means of equal rights laws does not insure but one suitor at a time. He may win his suit today and tomorrow be again refused his request at the theater or restaurant. That's what we are confronted with. We mean to say there is no sentiment behind these laws; no compelling force; they do not serve as examples. The suitors are worn out by expense and farcial decisions and judgments that remain only as such.

We said unfortunately and perhaps fortunately, advisedly, that blanket decrees cannot be issued. We have in mind our peculiar racial situation. Much must be considered of which the pure laws know nothing. Our race should contend for the greater civil rights by all the legal methods at its command. However, when it comes to situations which border on the social it becomes us to be very circumspect. When it comes to gilded palaces and other concerns where there have been a lavish outlay of money in appealing to classes our judgment must teach us as to the advisability of battering these doors. We know fairly well what is due us according to our environment, standing, not to speak of our race with its stigma of previous condition of servitude, and as a dark people—court decisions can not bridge these gaps, and because the courts are also the people.

We are with those who would resort to expedients to boost along their civil rights, yet we know that sentiment is not prepared for all we wish. The colored people of Pennsylvania will lose nothing in getting the equal rights law, but they need not be disappointed if it does prove an effectual panacea for all of their ills.

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AMERICAN GIANTS DISPOSE OF SILK KAVANAUGH'S TEAM 8 TO 3—THIRD GAME FOR "RUBE."

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 12.—(Special)—Last Sunday's game made three straight for Mr. Foster and his American Giants. There is no doubt now in the minds of Chicagoans that he hasn't a great team. Every member of the team has exhibited splendid ability and not a "bone head" play has been made this season by a man on the team. Hutchinson, the short stop, is doing some clever work at the post held by Lloyd last year. The day was chilly and many of those who satin boxes went over in the bleachers for the shade and enjoyed seeing Barber around first as well as the Giants winning with ease. There was nothing sensational in the game. The visitors were a picked team from minor and major leagues but these supposed professionals could not do anything with Jenkins while the home boys played with Juul and Metz the Kavanaugh's star pitchers. The American Giants got four hits off Juul in the fourth inning.

Giants.	R	H	P	A
Barber, 1b	2	0	13	0
Hill, cf	1	2	3	0
Duncan, lf	1	4	2	0
McNair, rf	0	2	2	0
Hutchinson, ss	1	0	0	0
Francis, 3b	1	2	0	3
Jenkins, p	0	2	1	3
Bowman, 2b	1	1	3	4
Watts, c	1	0	3	1
Total	8	13	27	11

K. Lgrs.	R	H	P	A
Englehardt, 1b	1	1	12	0
S'son, rf	1	0	0	0
Kavanaugh, lf	0	0	1	0
Goodrich, cf	0	2	4	0
K'nan, 2b	1	1	0	6
Roberts, c	0	0	3	1
O'C'ell, 3b	0	1	1	3
H'key, ss	0	0	3	0
Juul, p	0	0	0	3
Merz, p	0	1	0	2
Total	3	6	24	15

Am. Giants ......1 0 2 2 1 0 1 1 *—8
K. Lgrs. ......1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0—3

Error—O'Connell. Two-base hits—Duncan, McNair, Englehardt. Three-base hit—Jenkins. Struck out—By Jenkins, 3; by Juul, 2. Bases on balls—Off Jenkins, 3; off Juul, 5. Umpire—Goeckel. Time—1:40.

Next Sunday, the Gary's.

Next Sunday the American Giants will play the Gary's of Gary, Ind. It is expected that the cool weather shall have passed and warm days on and a great crowd present. Box seats are now on sale at the park. Mr. Foster is busy these days booking the best teams in the country.

DISMUKES HURLS NO-HIT SHUTOUT.

Tall Twirler Leads A. B. C.'s to Great Victory Over Chicago Giants—Local Team Scores Five Runs.

Dismukes, pitching for the A. B. C.'s, added a no-hit victory to his credit Sunday at Northwestern Park, the tall boy scoring a shutout over the Chicago Giants, the local champs winning, 5 to 0. The Giants were helpless before the hurling of Dismukes. In only two innings did runners reach first, and one of these was promptly caught stealing. Only twelve batters faced Dismukes in the first four innings.

An exceptionally large crowd turned out regardless of the weather, and was rewarded, as both teams fielded cleverly. DeMoss, Strothers, Shively and Allen contributed the fielding features. Charleston was "there" with his usual long hit, it being a home run drive to deep center.

A. B. C.	AB	H	O	A	E
Shively, lf	4	0	2	0	0
DeMoss, 2	1	1	1	4	0
Allen, 3	4	2	1	2	1
Taylor, 1	3	0	10	0	0
Clark, s	3	1	5	1	1
Powell, c	4	0	6	2	0
Charleston, cf	4	1	2	0	0
Jeffries, rf	4	1	0	0	0
Dismukes, p	4	1	0	2	0
Totals	32	7	27	11	2

Giants.	AB	H	O	A	E
Jennings, 2	4	0	0	1	1
W. Green, 3	3	0	2	1	0
Winston, lf	3	0	1	0	0
Pate, rf	2	0	0	0	0
J. Green, cf	3	0	3	1	0
Strothers, 1	3	0	9	2	1
Ford, s	3	0	2	4	0
Clarkson, c	3	0	6	1	0
Dixon, p	3	0	1	3	1
Totals	27	0	24	12	3

Giants ......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
A. B. C.'s ......2 1 0 0 2 0 0 0 *—5

Two-base hit—Allen. Home run—Charleston. Stolen bases—DeMoss, Taylor, Clark 2, Allen. Bases on balls—Off Dixon, 5. Struck out—By Dixon, 5; by Dismukes, 5. Hit by pitcher—By Dismukes (Pate). Wild pitches—Dixon 2. Passed ball—Clarkson. Umpire—McCarty. Time—1:43.

A. B. C.'s OVERWHELM GIANTS OF CHICAGO.

Johnson Pitches Splendid Ball and Local Club Scores Second Shutout in Two Days—Taylor's Men.... Slug Ball.

The Chicago Giants were shut out again Monday at Northwestern Park, 12 to 0. "Dicta" Johnson pitched air-tight ball, holding the Giants to three hits and fanning seven. Only one of the visitors reached second base. Both teams fielded in excellent style, Allen and Clark doing some sensational work. Powell's home run drive also featured.

Giants ......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0
A. B. C.'s......1 4 2 0 0 5 0 0 *—12

Two-base hits—Shively 2. Three-base hit—Taylor. Home run—Powell. Stolen bases—Allen 2, Taylor 2, Jeffries, J. Green, Bases on balls—Off Johnson, 1; off Dougherty, 10. Struck out—By Johnson, 7; by Dougherty, 5. Wild pitch—Dougherty. Passed Balls—Clarkson. Umpire—McCarty. Time—2:09.

A. B. C.'s IN CLEAN SWEEP WITH THE CHICAGO GIANTS.

The A. B. C.'s made it three straights from the Chicago Giants Tuesday at Northwestern Park, defeating them 13 to 6. Barry issued thirteen passes to the local club, besides hitting one. The A. B. C.'s ran bases wild, pilfering fourteen sacks, Shively leading with five. Powell, the husky catcher of the local champs, clouted out another home run. The West Baden Sprudels play at the local park Sunday. Score:

Giants ......3 0 1 0 0 6 2 0 0— 6
A. B. C.'s......6 0 0 1 2 0 2 2 0—13

Two-base hit—Toney. Home run—Powell. Stolen bases—Shively 5, DeMoss, Taylor, Allen, Clark 2, Powell 2, Charleston 2. Bases on balls—By Johnson, 4. Hit by pitcher—By Barry Charleston; by Johnson, Booker, Toney. Sacrifice hits—Taylor, Charleston, Jeffries. Time—2:18. Umpire—McCarty.

BASEBALL GAMES IN NEW YORK.

The Lincoln Giants scored two victories against the Cuban Stars of Havana. First game, 11 to 4 and winning the second 18 to 5. Joe Williams, one of the best colored pitchers in the country, struck out eleven men in the opening game and Langford pitched the second game. The same teams play two games at Olympic Park Sunday.

At Lenox Oval Lincoln Stars the Lincoln Stars with Gans pitching and Santop catching beat the Cuban Giants 7 to 4.

The Philadelphia Giants beat the Ridgewoods with Sykes pitching who held the Ridgewoods to five hits and winning by the score of 10 to 2.

Be sure to read The Freeman contest on page 4.

BOZEMAN, MONT.

(By Sergt. Eli Rogers.)

Messrs. James (Jim) Simms and Mat H. Walker, the only real sportsmen of Gallitan county, has just returned from the Madison river country, where they made or dynamited a big catch. The secret got out by an eye witness, who claimed Jim had a club while Walker fooled the fish up to him with some grapes. Jim is sure some stick man, because the boys had fish weighing all the way from one to ten pounds. The boys are glad to get back home. They are fine specimens of Mutt and Jeff, as Jim is taller and Matt is shorter. They both looked like men who had been at the front for some time. The boys are sure some fishermen.

Mr. Bernice Dorsey arrived May 6 from Philadelphia and reported that he was glad to get back. Don't know when he will go East again.

Mr. William Barnes has arrived here from Missoula, Mont., and joined his wife, who has been waiting for his arrival. It is learned that Mr. Barnes will locate on a ranch. They are plenty of homesteads in Montana, but the colored people are not homesteading. Why don't you old soldiers take up homestead? Oh, well, some day you will be standing around talking about what you could have done.

Mr. Albert D Marshall returned to Helena May 5th, where he was called on some legal business. He had a short stay with his mother and a little visit with friends. Mr. Marshall says there is no place like Bozeman and that he was glad to get back.

Mr. Henry Rogers, of Bozeman-Hercules, left for Helena, Mont., where he is engaged as a waiter at the Montana Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harris entertained a party of friends at their residence, 725 Fourth avenue and South 6th St. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rogers, Mr. Arthur Ford, Mr. Albert D. Marshall, Mrs. Elnora Mounding and J. H. Hilliard.

No doubt it will be very gratifying to the old boys of Troop E, 9th Calvary, to know that the grand old man, Sergeant Eli Rogers, is still alive and looking well and resides at his own home, 502 Black street, and has raised a family of nice respected girls and boys.

Miss Tillie Sours ws united in the holy bonds of matrimony to George Smith by a justice of the peace.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Between 400 and 500 people, including many society folks of this city, crowded into the African M. E. church last Tuesday evening to listen to a benefit concert arranged by Mrs. Frank H. Funk and Mrs. James Reeder to raise funds for paying off the debt on this church. There were a great many colored people present to enjoy the music, but the white people seemed to be in the majority. On the whole, the occasion was unique and thoroughly enjoyed by everybody present. After the concert fine chicken dinner was served. It was splendidly prepared and heartily partaken of. The proceeds of the affair will add $105 to the funds of the church.

Miss Katherine Johnson, of New York, gave a lecture last week for the interest of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Miss Zuba Smith, of Chicago, spent last week visiting her aunt, Mrs. N. J. Dice, and friends.

NEWS OF JACKSON, TENN.

Mr. Jack Lancaster, proprietor of the Lancaster House and an efficient employe of the I. C. railroad, died at his home on Liberty street Sunday evening at 3:30 o'clock, after a few weeks' illness. -- The Rev. Father E. Thomas Demby, arch deacon of the Diocese of Tennessee, delivered a splendid sermon at the 11 o'clock service at St. Thomas' Episcopal church Sunday. -- Mrs. W. A. Bruce, of 554 Cumberland street, has been very sick for the past few weeks. We are very glad to say that she is much improved at this writing. -- Lane College Glee Club gave a splendid musical concert Friday night. -- The young ladies of Bethel A. M. E. church gave an entertainment at the home of Mrs. L. E. Robinson Wednesday night. -- Rev. A. M. Womack, of Liberty C. M. E. church preached the annual sermon of the G. U. O. of O. F. of Custer Lodge No. 1791 and Household of Ruth at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. -- Rev. J. A. Bray, ex-president of Lane College, preached a fine sermon at Liberty C. M. E. church Sunday at 11 o'clock. -- Mr. Sam Reid, one of Jackson's musicians, is home at 440 South Church street. -- There was an entertainment given at Mrs. J. A. Hay's home Monday night for the benefit of Liberty C. M. E. church.

ANDERSON, S. C.

The clear ring of the old fire bell broke the stillness of the early morning hour Tuesday, May 4, while flames, which must have been caused by rats and matches, quickly spread and destroyed the McGowan-Jenkins building, the most valuable property owned by colored people in Anderson. Among other enterprises which occupied the three store rooms was the Jenkins Pharmacy. It has been doing business successfully for several years. We hope that the building will soon be replaced. -- See Frank Hicks, Jr., for the Freeman. -- The week of services which marked the seven years of pastorate of the St. Paul Baptist church by Rev. H. M. Moore was a success. It ended with a banquet on Monday night, when the pastor was given a Morris chair by the church.-- Anderson mourns the loss of Mr. Clayten Cochran, whose somewhat sudden death was a surprise. Mr. Cochran was a young man of splendid qualities, a steady and earnest church worker. He had been married only about fifteen months.

THE RED CROSS AID SOCIETY.

Shreveport, La.

Mr. Ben McElroy, Grand President of the Red Cross Aid Society:

Dear Sir—At a recent joint session of Nos. 1 and 3 held at Peabody school building on the 20th inst, after carefully examining resolutions of the Colored Red Cross Congress, do hereby present our approval and our objections of the same:

The first part of section 1 relative to 25 cents, rejected. Section 2 to read thus: That the president, secretary and chairman of relief committee of each society be empowered to attend to such business and to the society taking the policies be permitted to retain the same in its treasury. Section 4 to read thus: Destitute widows and orphans. Sections 8, 9, 10 and 11 disapproved.

MRS. S. C. WILLIAMS,
Assistant Grand President.
MRS. A. DAVIS, Secretary.

LOST RELATIVE.

Lizzie Wilson, colored, about 6 feet, brown hair. Our last address was in Dallas, Texas.

Please write to her mother or sister. Her mother's address is, Mrs. Harry Howard, Station B, R. F. D. box 222, Columbus, Ohio. Her sister's address is, Lida Wilson, 155 N. Cleveland avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

WANTED, A HUSBAND.

I am a widow, middle aged, a strict Christian, good cook and housekeeper; no children. Man must be sober, industrious and a Christian. Address Widow S. H., care The Freeman.

THURMAN JENNINGS,
The Sensational Infielder of the Chicago Giants.

¶ We hear much these days about colored people not patronizing colored business enterprises—

The truth of the matter is that many Colored business men have neither kept pace with the broadening and discriminating tastes of the Colored customer nor with the specialized efforts of their white competitors.

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Emmett J. Scott, President, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

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Anyone, male or female, over sixteen (16) years of age may enter the contest.

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Begin today if you want to go. Anyone can enter contest.

Anyone in the contest that fail to get the 2,500 votes, but get one-fourth of the amount (625 votes) will be allowed 25 per cent. of all the money they send in. Contestants must report once a week by not later than Tuesday, in order that the number of votes can be published each week.

Send all money by Post Office Money Order or Express Money Order payable to The Freeman.

The contest will close October 1. Parties can go any time the required number of votes are secured.

The Panama Pacific International Exposition closes Dec. 4, 1915. For further information write The Freeman.

NOMINATING BALLOT

The Indianapolis Freeman's Trip to Panama Pacific Exposition!

This nominating blank is worth 500 votes if accompanied with one subscription.

I hereby nominate..
Name of Nominee

whose age we know to be over 16 years. Whose address is..........................

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Nominated by..

Address...

STAGE NOTES.

Mrs. Ella Godloe is at West Baden, Ind., entertaining in a rathskeller. Regards to all friends. Box 112, West Baden, Ind.

Silas Leon, the magician, is still with The Silas Green Co., as special attraction. Route, Silas Green Co., Durham, N. C., May 17-22.

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Jones & Peat are working for Western vaudeville circuit, going big around Chicago, Ill.

Frank H. Dukes last week at Urbana, O., with other time to follow. Regards to all in and out of the profession. Hello, J. H. Mason.

All mail will reach Frank D. Jackson, "the little fellow," 53 West 135th street, New York City, care J. E. Gardner, physical culture training quarters.

John H. Moran, star of J. C. Miles' Minstrels, with Jones' Bros. show. Mr. Miles has made the comedian a present of a Cody drum which cost thirty dollars. Luck to readers, his old pal and Hamtree.

James Mobley, as Rastus Hard-Bond having successful time in Urbana, O., with M. Ferdon Co., now closing his last week, after a three weeks' stay. Hello to Billy King, Harry Fields and Jack Wiggins. Regards to all.

Gordon & Gordon, Batts and Cora, have closed three successful weeks at the Lincoln theatre, Galveston, with the Hippodrome to follow. Then Kansas City. What did the train stop for? I don't know. Ask Joe Johnson and Sadie Britton.

The Two Freemans, George and Annie, just closed Klein time. Now open on the Dudley time at the New Crown Garden, Indianapolis, Ind. Pittsburg, Pa., Philadelphia and Washington to follow. Regards to friends in and out of the profession.

Mabel Whitman, of the Whitman Sisters, is now recovering after two weeks at South Highland infirmary, an exclusive hospital in Birmingham, Ala. The company plays Dixie theatre, Anniston, Ala., next week. Mabel will no doubt return to Asbury Park, N. J., for a much needed rest.

After finishing five consecutive weeks for Wolf & Krause in and around Philadelphia, Grandstaff & Davis joined Williams & Stevens Richest Coon in Dixie show with their specialty. Having much success through Connecticut, New Hampshire and Maine. Regards to all inquiring friends.

M. Ferdon writes that comedian George Taylor is in the hospital in Columbus, O., suffering from a stroke of paralysis. Letters will reach him addressed to 175 North Fifth street, Columbus, Ohio, care of J. H. Rushton. He wishes all the boys to write to him to cheer him up. Ferndon would like to hear from Max Carter.

Marcus Veal Chaney band and orchestra leader, with a Rabbit Foot Co., now in North Carolina, wants to hear from Albert Frederick and Thomas Sulzer. Regards to McCamon, M. McQuitty, King Philips and the Allen bunch. All mail will reach me at my home, Rolling Fork, Miss., Box 181. Respectfully, Marcus Veal Chaney.

The Dudleys, Happy and Lizzie, are in their eighth week with Sheelsey's Greater Shows and are doing nicely. We are now playing in the state of Pennsylvania and they send regards to all friends iln and out of the profession. They would like to hear from Mack & Mack and Viola McCoy. Business of importance. Those wanting to write us, address, from the 9th to 15th, Charleston, W. Va.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Musical Byrons are at the Portland, Ore.

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Anderson & Goins are at the Victoria theatre, Philadelphia.

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Moore & Jenkins are at the Orpheum theatre, Kansas City, Mo.

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Cook & Stevens are at the Empress theatre, Kansas City, Mo.

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At the Alamode dining rooms, Jersey City, Sunday, Billy E. Jones and Miss Limbrook popular songs.

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At Wood's Cafe, 2161 Fifth avenue, New York, this week the patrons are entertained with a great cabaret show with classy entertainers.

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At Leroy's Cafe, 1 West 135th street, New York, many new numbers are sung by the Misses Brown and Johnson and first class meals are served.

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Barron Astoria Cafe, 2275 Seventh avenue, New York. Tony Donovan and host of entertainers are entertaining the patrons with new numbers.

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Music to entertain the patrons daily at the Phinizee Hotel, 24 West 133d street, New York. First class meals are served. Due courtesy to all.

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The Southern Palm House, 208-10 West 37th street, New York. L. Grimes proprietor, presenting finest boarding houses in city. Modern in every way.

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The Libyia Dining Rooms, 115 West 141st street, New York, presents Miss Cora Cross and Miss Lillian Rose in the popular song hits and elegant place to dine.

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Edgar Connor and Cecil Mann enroute week of May 17, Indianapolis, Ind.; week of May 24, St. Louis, Mo.; week of May 31, Cincinnati, Ohio.; June 7th, Chicago.

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George W. Brown, vice president of the C. V. B. A., died on the 22d of April. The funeral was very impressive and was attended by a good many of the members and friends.

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Full orchestra with the poular numbers and caberat show daily at the Hotel Snug, 2120 Madison avenue, New York. The place to drive away the blues. L. Worrell, proprietor.

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Performers don't forget the select dining rooms, 151 West 133d street, New York. The finest place in Harlem to eat. Lowest prices. Visitors when in the city don't forget to call. A. Green, proprietor.

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The Crescent Cafe, 126 West 135th street, New York, now under new management and presenting high class entertainers and one of the most popular places in Harlem catering to first class trade. Good music every evening.

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At the Lafayette theatre, New York, last Bojangles was a big feature; others were Johnson & Wells, Thompson Cooper & Thompson, singers, and others rounded out an excellent bill to the delight of the patrons.

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At the Novelty Cafe this week, 43 Rockwell Place, Brooklyn, the patrons are entertained with a first class cabaret which is only one of its kind in Brooklyn, and first class dining rooms attached. Don't forget to call when in Brooklyn.

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Many new novelties this week in the cabaret line at the Reno, 454 Seventh avenue, New York. The only place down town where the patrons are entertained with first class cabaret. Full orchestra for the dancing and first class meals served.

MULE AND JEANETTE BRADFORD ANOTHER RIOT ON A SEVEN-ACT BILL AT GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

Everybody was waiting for the favorites, Mule and Jeanette Bradford, but when Jeanette sang she only took four encores, while Mule brought up the rear. Then when they sang Mule's latest hit, "I Know You Going to Miss Me When I Am Gone" they stopped the pictures.

Cress Simmons and Baby Jim will open May 17th with Fisher's Carnival. Baby Jim's little baby is looking fine.

The Jolsams are laying off here this week.

Daisy Martin Cafe is drawing large crowds because she is popular here. King & Marshall have joined hands and making good. Howard & Mason arrived from the coast looking prosperous. Rollison & Douglass opened here Monday, went big. Davis & Walker the Alhambra first three days, 10, 11, 12.

MARSHALLS' "HAPPY DAYS IN DIXIELAND" CO.

Everybody with the company is all O. K. and the show is playing nightly to good business. Billie Arnte says this is the only show of its kind on the road, and everything is new and up to date; some car and some frameup. We had the pleasure of meeting J. C. O'Brien Georgia Minstrels last week in Coffeyville, Kan., and the two companies had some time that day together. James Hampton is making a big hit daily in the street singing with the band. I love the whole United States. Mrs. Elnora Gibson is cleaning up singing "Mississippi Cabaret." Joe Drake never fails to get his singing fifteen cents and is some dancer. Miss Myrtle Allen is making good singing the "Broadway Blues." John Haden is singing "That Minstrel Show Parade" which knocks them out of their seats. Mrs. Mary Bailey sets the audience wild singing "It's a Long Ways to Tipperary." Gib. Gibson, that funny little comedian, is moping up singing "I Am Glad My Wife is in Europe." The Dixie Trio of Gibson, Hampton and Gibson, is right. Miss Johnie Mae Starks is taking the house by storm singing her latest hit "All Aboard for Dixie." Billie Arnte, our principal comedian and stage director, is making quite a hit singing his latest song "I Was There When He Started But Gone When He Got Through." Sends best regards to Mr. P. G. Lowery and all friends. Mr. Leon W. Marshall says he can always make space for good musicians and pefromers. Billie Arnte says Mr. Lowery, I wish you could hear this band. Some class. Mr. Leon W. Marshall says all performers and musicians write me at any time and address all mail to the Freeman.

Roster of the Marshalls Happy Days in Dixieland Co. Sunny South Ragtime Band—A. Mordecai White, cornet; R. J. Anderson (Dick), cornet; Love Lee, solo alto; William Byrd, 1st alto; James Curry, trombone; Frank Miller, trombone; Robert H. Young, clarinet; Richard Wallace, tuba; Bethel Gibson, snare drum;Albert St. Clair, bass drum J. A. Shakelford, solo B flat cornet and director. Prof. Shackelford sends regards to Prof. George Ayres and band.

LINCOLN THEATRE, GALVESTON, TEXAS.

Special to The Freeman.

After a long illness, Mrs. R. D. McNeil, of the team of McNeil & McNeil, is back in front of the footlights. The team is now filling an engagement at the Lincoln Theatre, Galveston, Texas, showing to packed houses nightly.

Little Laura Smith is here with the goods, as usual Each and every one on the bill are getting theirs, as they are all workers. The roster is as follows: McNeil & McNeil, some neat workers, I mean. Reeves & Reeves, those tango dancers. Happy Kimball, that long, funny boy. Then Russell & Smith; oh joy, they are funny. Madam Anna Pankey still holds her own, and Leila Duson lets you know every time she has been on. The bill from start to finish is good. It must be, as the manager is all smiles and the house all crowded, Nuff sed.

Mrs. McNeil sends regards to LaBlanch Young, Rosetta Brannon, Taylor & Taylor, and my old pal, Alma Hughes. John McNeil says hello, Billy Henderson,

NOTES FROM THE 101 RANCH.

(By Harrison R. Hall.)

Prof. L. K. Baker, cornet and officiate; Moses Casey, cornet B. and O; Alex N. Parker, cornet and violin, orchestra director; A. F. Washington, cornet doubling stage; Charles Brown, first horn and B. and O.; Samuel Ford, second horn and stage; Will Nash, trombone and stage; James Mitchell, baritone and stage; H. R. Hall(tuba, B. and O.; W. H. White, bass drum and interlocuter; Robert Wilson, small drum and traps in orchestra. Samuel Ford sends regards to the Drews and would like to hear from them. Alex Parker sends regards to Leslie Davis and Richard Jackson. Prof. Baker sends regards to professors; Roy Pope, James Harris, John Eason, James Wolfscale's bunch and would like to hear from William Bryant. James Mitchell sends regards to Prof. Wright and Bob Oliver.

The 101 season opened April 10, 1915, at Hot Springs, Ark., and has been a successful one in business, considering the present condition of our country. The weather has not been in our favor, either, having experienced cold and rain in the central states. The band is in good condition and is playing the popular song hits with great success and featuring the universal song, "Tipperary."

Will Nash and Charles Brown are cleaning up with their Deacon Jones and Aunt Hester act.

J. C. MILES' BAND AND MINSTRELS WITH JONES' BROS. CIRCUS.

We are now in our fourth week opening at St. Louis and are now in New York state, where we are booked for several stands. Our little band and minstrels are as usual the feature attraction of the Big Annex, although we are only 12 strong. John H. Mason and Willie Moore are doing principal ends and keeping things lively too. It's really funny to hear John H. Mason sing his own composition, "No More Vaudeville for Me." Then Billy Moore comes right behind him singing "After While." Mrs. Miles sings "Wonderful Boy" with great success. She is also interlocutor. Ben Penn and Geo. Sharp send best regards to Hershel Ward and Tobe Bell. J. C. Miles sends best regards to Freddie Pratt, Seymour James and the entire bunch of Alabama and the Virginia Minstrels, especially Prof. Moland.

THE NEW MONOGRAM THEATRE, CAMBRIDGE, MD.

The New Monogram theatre and pool and ice cream parlor is doing fine business. The colored picture of Uncle Remus' Visit to New York drew large crowds at this theatre. The proprietor Arthur E. Benjamin, wishes to hear from a good lady entertainer, one who can play and sing. Must be sight reader and good looker and dress well.

Peter Porter, my new Overland car is O. K. Come on and let us go some. Performers while in Cambridge visit the Monogram pool and ice cream parlor. Phone 187, Arthur E. Benjamin, proprietor. Good acts write. Bad acts and booze artists save your time and stamps.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

IRVING JONES & ROY JOHNSON CREATE ROARS OF LAUGHTER AT THE GRAND—GENE GREENE COMING.

It did not take long for Irving Jones to show that he is still a master of original Negro comedy modernized by his continued ability, as a creator of roars of laughter, and Roy Johnson has more than once demonstrated his supreme art as a dancer of light tipped toe fantastic and acrobatic swings, who has no superiors. Argo, a harp soloist, who played "Tempest of the Heart" and other medley grand opera numbers, including syncopated selections, was quite an artist. Harry Wyatt & Co., in "Nerve," was a lively farce with good support. Wyatt himself enjoys a lively personality and good comedy instinct, which takes well. Black & Leslie, a cripple comedy actor, and soubrette, was well liked as the Florence troupe of acrobats was also on the bill Guster & Bailey, who remained all the week, concluded their engagement immensely popular. The other acts of the last half of last week were Gardner & Nicolla, a crudely entertaining telephone girl and red headed messenger. The rest of their act was good, including their comedy. Hendrix & Padulla, a fair pianist, good singers, were middle class in comedy and Mary & Emily Green, eccentric musical artists were good entertainers.

The Advent of Mr. Gene Greene.

The coming of Gene Greene, the white king of ragtime, to the Grand next Monday for a week, will be a notable advent because he has extracted more popular favor from his own race than any other singer in his line. And what's more, his salary is so high that he carries an automobile full of songs and his colored chauffeur is no more than little Roy Bird, champion wrestler and a member of the Eighth Regiment. Now if all the white people of the south side, who have heard of Greene turn out and all the soldiers of the armory bring their wives and girls, the Grand will be so full that Greene and his trade marks will be memorial.

The Multitude of Movies.

Next Saturday will be special feature day at the States theatre and Sunday will have the "Butterfly." The Phoenix had big crowds to see the ex-convict. Saturday will have "It's No Laughing Matter," and Sunday, 16th, "On the Night Stage." The Fountain, which is now a high class ten cent house, has fine moral matinees for children. The bill for 15th is "The County Chairman" and 16th "The Diamond from the Sky." The Washington matinees have caught on. The Black Box (series) 15th, "The Bombay Buddha" 16th. The Atlas has now consumed the theatre going trade at 47th street and the Lincoln has attracted attention with a good orchestra.

Pekin—"The Cost," 15th and "The Verdict" 16th.

Eugene F. Mann's New Amusement Resort.

The resort now floating flags of all nations, corner of 36th and State, will be opened by Eugene Manns Saturday. God results are expected to follow.

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STAGE NOTES AND STROLL NEWS.

Cecil Watts and her two children have arrived from Philadelphia. She has improved in health and is the guest of her sister. She will probably return to the stage in a few days.

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McDuffy Freeman and his Ragtime Express is resting in Chicago. They will head South when they start.

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Carita Day, who proved to be such a great friend to Cecil Watts, has returned from her eastern engagements. She was the guest of Sue Grundy and Lulu Coates at the Watermelon Trust house last Saturday. Miss Coates states that she took vocal instructions under J. Rosamond Johnson while in New York City.

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"My Keepsake is My Heart ache," is the name of the latest lyric by Arthur J. Lamb with music composed by Clarence Jones. Joe Simms was the big feature at the Old Monogram last week. He gave out some good dope on Jack Johnson's lay down which made a hit.

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The window display of Seal-Ola, for the hair, seen in R. K. Wise's pharmacy, 3315 South State street, in the Mecca building, attracted quite some attention. Captain Charles Seals is the manufacturer.

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Earl Milner, the orchestra violinist, died at 3812 State street last Sunday, at 4 p. m. He had been in declining health for some time and had not lived with his wife, Miss Talbot, of the team Ricks & Talbot. The white woman with whom he lived telegraphed to his father.

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Kelly & Davis have left for Cincinatti. They are also to play Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, the Lafayette in New York and fill dates in Boston. Sidney L. Perrin and Goldie Crosby who arrived two weeks ago also left town. The Creole Ragtime Band with J. Morgan Prince, was at the Wilson for the first and the Kedzie theatre during the ending week.

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Julia Thomas, wife of Will Thomas of the Dandy Dixie Minstrels, and Congo King Co., who had been ill for several months since the birth of her child, Will Thomas, Jr., who recently died, ended this life peacefully May 3d. She was a relative of the Trent family of Evanston, Ill. The funeral took place Thursday, May 8th, at the residence, 4448 Dearborn. Rev. Pope officiated. The pallbearers consisted of J. Louis Johnson, Alf Hunt, Joe Simms, Ollie Perry, Frank Hubert and John Turner. Interment was at Woodlawn cemetery. Floral offerings were received from Mrs. Chester Walker, Julia Landry, Mr. and Mrs. Trent, Odie and W. Trent, "Tervalous," Mr. Thomas and other friends.

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SACRED MEMORY OF LUSITANIA.
The Victims.

Between green hills, the victims lie;
In fathom's deep, sleep pirots prey;
No judge to tell the reason why,
That humans met their dying day.

Far, many leagues away from home,
'Mid ocean dangers, there to be,
Who dared like challenged slaves to roam,
Were valiant vagrants of the sea.
—Sylvester Russell.

NEW GLOBE THEATRE, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

(By Roseborough.)

Two hours spent at a good vaudeville show, such as given by the Globe, is worth a whole barrel of medicine. Many doctors will give that advice. There is no use giving her any more medicine. Take her to the theatre and let her have a good laugh, to laugh lovers and laughmakers are always held out the hand of fellowship. Did you ever see a popular man that didn't always have a smile on his face? The smile seems to go with the job of being a popular man. As Josh Billings used to say, smiling is the sensation of feeling good all over. The Jacksonville people are a laugh loving people. The vaudeville show will be popuar for years yet to come. In no other branch of theatricals will you find amusement that appeals alike to all classes of people and while fads and motion pictures may find a way and temporary popularity it is pretty safe to say that the final curtain on a Jacksonville stage will descend on a Globe vaudeville show. New show folks are Baby Regusters, Jines & Hill, Cox & Cox, Easton & Easton, and Billy V. Ewing.

RUBY THEATRE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

This week's bill is a real live one, and our manager is all smiles. Miss Nettie Edwards, former wife of B. E. Edwards, has been the feature attraction for the past two weeks. Is now in her third week and is still going good. Too much cannot be said of her artistic ability. She is really one of the best all round performers in the business. Her character impersonations are great. She's the best and going bigger than any single that ever played in this house. Next come Davenport & Bass, who need no introduction for every one knows them and wherever they are there's always something doing along the funny line.

If you want a nice trip, take this one. The Freeman will pay your railroad fare and allow you $25 on your expenses.

THE FREEMANS, ELEANOR WILSON, McCLEARY AND BROWN, PERRIN AND CROSBY AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN t THEATRE.

(Tim E. Owsley, Prop.)

The Crown Garden patrons are still enjoying good acts and pictures thrown in, all for the sum of ten cents. This ought to be a great inducement, and Mr. Owsley thinks it is, but the times are still a little close, making it a tough proposition to do all that he is doing. Prospects are growing brighter right along, and before long the old time patronage is expected.

The bill this wek is in keeping with the previous ones this season. Every number can be easily be rated as good while, of course, there is a better and a best.

The Fremans, Comedian and Straight.

The Freeman have an act which is out of the ordinary; they say and do unexpected things, a change, and which is so necessary at this day of vaudeville when it is so difficult to think of something new and different. The Freemans do their work in a new way. The comedian, the male, has a style which is natural, not forced and unreal appearing, as so many have. It is a winner.

The female member of the team is distinctly unique, a downright performer who loses entirely her female identity in her male impersonation. No one would think for one time that it was a woman doing that male role. When off the stage she is modest, retiring, feminine, pretty. On the stage she is distinctly a man, bold, aggressive, strutting and striding about as the very masculinist of the men folk. She has no superior in her line of work, perhaps, no equal.

She makes her first appearance in costume de rigor, he in near costume de rigor. She comes back in a neat little light suit, panama hat—a swell gentleman. Their entrance is novel. They wind up with a burglar stunt in which they are interesting and funny. They sing "Pony Boy" their own version. "Where Was Moses When the Light Went Out" and the "Burglar Rag." The act went nicely.

Eleanor Wilson, Songstress.

Eleanor Wilson will be remembered as a partner of the team of Morton & Wilson, one of the leading teams of the colored vaudeville stage. Miss Wilson is a handsome woman, who wears good clothes, making for a very fine stage personage.

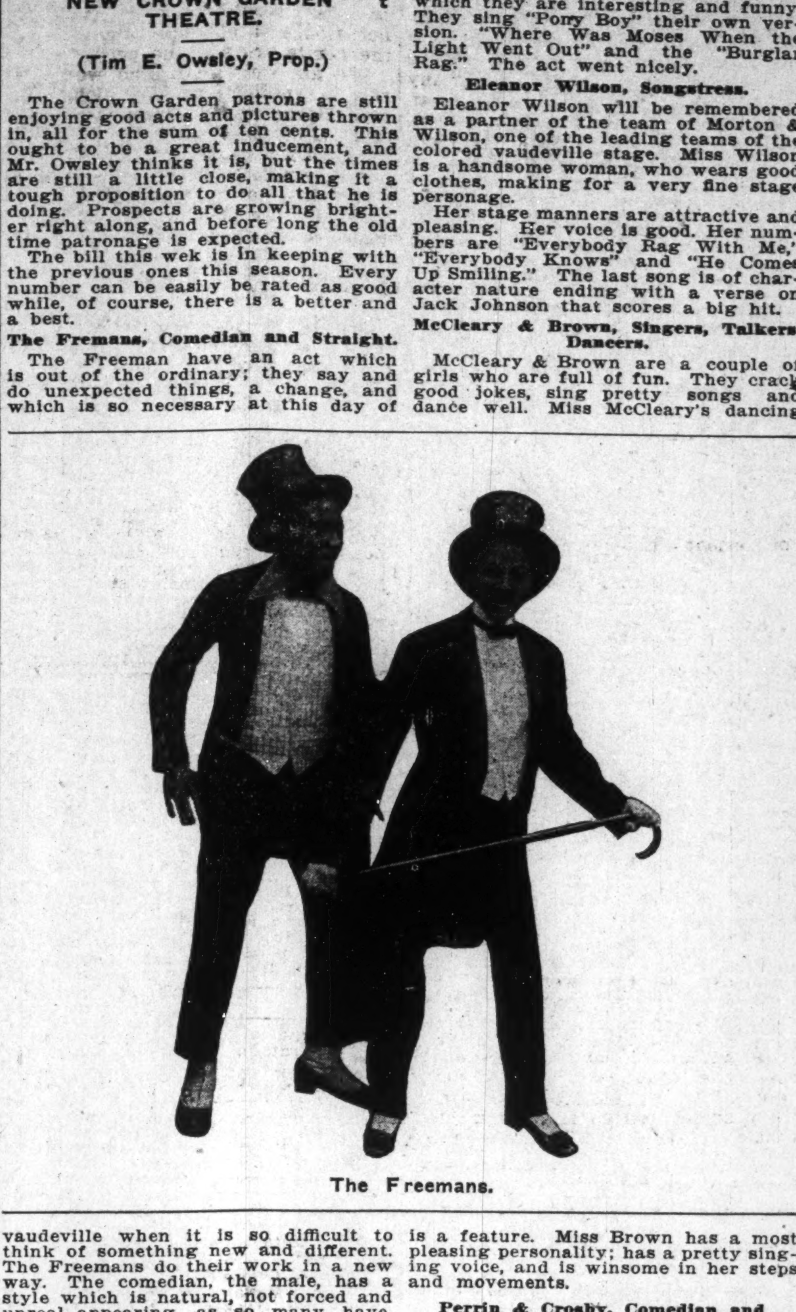
Her stage manners are attractive and pleasing. Her voice is good. Her numbers are "Everybody Rag With Me," "Everybody Knows" and "He Comes Up Smiling." The last song is of character nature ending with a verse on Jack Johnson that scores a big hit.

McCleary & Brown, Singers, Talkers, Dancers.

McCleary & Brown are a couple of girls who are full of fun. They crack good jokes, sing pretty songs and dance well. Miss McCleary's dancing is a feature. Miss Brown has a most pleasing personality; has a pretty singing voice, and is winsome in her steps and movements.

Perrin & Crosby, Comedian and Straight.

Perrin & Crosby is one of the standard teams of the vaudeville business. Mr. Perrin is one of those original comedians whose work is distinctly his own. At least nothing similar is seen among the colored performers. Miss Crosby puts her songs over in a pleasing style, also is good in her straight work. Their song selling stunt toward the close of the act is a big hit. Perrin who looks chunky and stiff all along breaks loose in some amazing dancing twists and turns that bring down the house. The act all through was well received.



The Freemans.

NOTES FROM WILLIAMS & STEVENS "RICHEST COON IN GEORGIA" CO.

Business fair through the state of Maine. The members of the company are well and all working hard. Miss Carry Stithe, of Boston, has become a wonder in her work although when she joined the company some weeks ago sick. Has improved wonderfully in health and looks as strong and well as when we saw her on the Dudley circuit seven months ago. Company send regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

NEWS OF SPARK'S CIRCUS.

Spark's Circus is still doing nicely through Ohio. Nice weather is still with us. I wish to let the lady folks know that Jas. Hausone will soon be in the matrimonial field, as we showed a town last week and our lot was filled with clothes pins. So Rausone got busy and collected enough to hang up an ordinary washing. So girls, look out for his add soon. Jas McDonald says hello to Jas. Wolfscales, and boys with Barnum's Show. Isiah Wells, our trombone player, has undergone a successful operation, viz.: three visits daily to Spark's mess tent, and would like to meet all comers at 158 pounds in the show business. Sam Kennedy says hello, Lawrence Baker McCamon, you are O. K. You are one among many. I see you wrote just as it was. Baisey Gay wants his friends to know that his wife, Elza Gray, is at Houston, Texas, in the infirmary. Mail will reach her at 112 Denver street. He wishes all the best of luck. Toe B. Rastue' air ship is some dance, boys. When Col. Tawers gets through telling the people about him, they come into the Annex and pronounce him the best ever, and "Air Ship" looks the part now in long pants.

PERFORMERS, LOOK! READ!

To the performers and traveling public: Mrs. F. Wagner has removed from 531 Indiana avenue to 411 W. North street. She has splendid quarters, big roomy house with hot and cold water, bath, gas, electric lights, furnace heated. Rooms neat, clean and nicely furnished.

MRS. F. WAGNER.
411 W. North St.

ROGERS GREATER SHOWS.

(By Sam McReynolds.)

The Rogers Greater Shows did so well in Coeburn last week that they had the company to stay over for another week. That plant show is a corker. But there is always a chance for improvement. That is, his stage will be under different management. Jack Pitt was elected, hoping that his administration would be a success to the Rogers Jubilee Show. Luck to you, Pitt, old boy; we all are with you. You are a performer and we all have found it out. Frank Watkins, better known in the profession as "Shorty," is making a hit singing "High Cost of Living Is Driving Me Mad." Say, "Shorty," you certainly can play some Dinah. Soy, Jack Wiggins, you had certainly better keep going, because Little Cuba from Memphis is sure some dancer and both feet are the same. Miss Johnnie Caruthers is still with us, making good. Mr. Snaton's carousal machine and the organ are always busy. Mr. Slim Maxwell, Egyptian dancing girl, showed big business last week. Montana Bill's Wild West Show top the receipts, going some on the R. G. Shows. New atraction to be added to Bill Cooley's snake show next week, a living body without a head. Say, Rummage, that ferris wheel keeps us worried, be-cause we want to go up in the air. Jim Higgins, side show manager, is still palling with Kid Mack and Bill Cooley. Stick around, Higgins, old boy; they will take you back to Providence, R. I. Higgins, why don't you get a new pipe or ask Mack to buy you one. Say, boys, what you think of our boss; he put his flannel suit on Sunday and went out hunting flowers and came back with dogwood blossoms. Mr. J. Price's Midway Cafe is doing fine. Mrs. J. W. Morrison can sure sell some confetti. Look out, John Roberson; we saw you that time. Irish Harrison is watching you, and also 88. We all love you. Smith & Smith are yet with our front show. Mr. Smith is a wonderful clog dancer and Mrs. Smith makes good with any song she sings. Miss Sarah McConnor has a nice, clear voice, and makes good at all times. Miss Anna Bell Conwell, singing that catchy song, "Commence a Dancing," knocks them off their seats. Mrs. Fannie Butler can sure play her part. She is a comedian and plays it as good as a man. Mr. Tim Butler is our pianist. Mrs. James Anderson, in the Seven-in-One Show, will take 4,700 volts in the electric chair next week. Mrs. Lawthers felt proud Saturday night when Kid Mack turned in his receipts for his day's work on the doll wheel. Say, boys, ain't Mr. Jim Higgins some speller? I haven't seen as many people in that Seven-in-One Show as were in there Saturday night in six months. Oh, yes, boys, he's got that gift of gab, all right.

SAM McREYNOLDS,
With the Rogers Greater Shows.

CINCINNATI THEATRICALS.

(By Brown & Porter.)

The Lincoln.

This house, operated by the pioneer of colored theatricals in Cincinnati, Ohio, Ollie Dempsey, has sprung from a large and most distasteful citron to the flower of colored business enterprise in this city under the wizard like direction of Col. Brown, so as expected Monday night a vast sea of smiling and expectant faces witnessed the curbstone sputter of Kelly & Davis, the best little talking and dancing act seen here lately; some goods. Points in this act. They change their line of work, together fourteen years, their hat still fits their head, they are good and with a new set of photos to show the change of act (small skimpcion) they will always be popular here.

Harry Brown, cartoonist, sandwiched the bill and held his audience soothing them with his rich, mellow tones in song while his nimble fingers swiftly sketched pictures that brought immediate applause; good act. Then Davis & Elmore slip forth with a unique and original opening in song and held them. The gentleman is a comedian and the lady very pretty, costumes neat, sweet harmonious singers. The only singing and talking act properly staged, I have seen of late. Mr. Davis resorts to a source to create comedy. He can omit and the ham bone trimmings to that dress suit is out of place in such a classy singing act. They certainly went good here.

The Pekin continues to run first class pictures and has good attendance. They hold a following and will always remain dear as the first colored house. Harry Glover handles this house as manager.

There are two good acts laying off here: Denslow & Denslow and Mayme Payne and her picks.

Actors Bantram Luncheon.

Col. Brown, manager of the Lincoln theatre and George Shears, engineer and stage manager of the same house, gave a swell luncheon at Mrs. Frey's home in honor of the performers playing this house, and others in this city. Among the guests were Braxton & Nugent, Meyers & Meyers, Blaine & Brown, Clay Price, and that excellent single act, Laura Bailey. Many interesting toasts were exchanged and short talks on the vaudeville situation. Mr. Dempsey, the owner of the Pekin and Lincoln theatres, was highly praised for his feeling toward colored actors, as he is the only one to be looked to since the change in Chas. Turpin; success to Brown & Shears.

SPORT.
(By B. Knox.)

The Eighth Wards lost a hard fought games to the Times Stars, score 10 to 8.

The Cincinnati Stars go to Louisville Sunday, 16-17-18. They are going good and the best semi-pro teams will have to play to beat them.

Stars 6—Brighton 0.

Hayes' pitching was too much for the Brighton A. C. and the Stars shut them out, 6 to 0. Harris' base running and snap through by Louie were features of the game. Harris stole six bases. Next Sunday the Stars play the Louisville White Sox at Louisville. The score:

B. A. C.	AB	H	O	A	E
Tate, 3	4	0	2	1	2
Kissen, s	4	2	2	0	1
Sch'ab, m	4	1	1	1	0
Gaide, 1	4	1	2	0	0
Koenig, r	2	0	0	0	0
Schieve, r	2	1	0	0	0
Meyer, 2	4	2	5	2	1
Peterson, 1	3	1	7	0	0
M. Miller, c	1	0	1	1	0
J. Miller, c	2	0	4	2	0
Dody, c	3	0	0	5	0
Totals	33	8	24	12	4

Stars.	AB	H	O	A	E
Bubbles, 1	3	1	2	0	0
Duling, 1	3	0	8	1	0
Cummins, 3	4	0	1	0	0
Hock'h, m	4	2	2	1	0
Pend'ton, s	4	1	1	3	0
Britton, 2	4	2	1	0	0
Harris, r	3	1	0	0	0
Lewis, c	3	0	0	0	0
Moor'n, c	0	0	3	0	0
Hayes, p	3	3	0	5	0
James	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	10	27	10	0

Brighton A. C. ...0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 —0
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Three-base hit—Bubbles. Double play—Brighton. Struck out—By Hayes 13, by Dody 6. Umpire—W. Harris. Scorer—Le Roy.

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ROUTE.

Smart Set Co, with Salem Tutt Whitney—Lafayette Theatre, New York City, week of May 17.

Richard & Pringle's Minstrels, direction Holland & Filkins—Basin, Wyo., May 17; Lovell, 18; Cody, 19; Powell, 20; Laurel, Mont., 21; Columbus, 22.

Leon W. Marshall's Happy Days in Dixieland—Great Bend, Kan., week of May 17.

Silas Green Co., Eph Williams, Mgr.—Week of May 17.

Wm. McCabe's Troubadours—Brookville, Kan., May 17; Kanopolis, 18; Wilson, 19; Dorrance, 20; Bunker Hill, 21; Russell, 22.

J. C. Miles & Co., with Jones Bros. Shows—Cortland, N. Y., May 17; Norwich, 18; Utica, 19; Herkimer, 20; Little Falls, 21; Gloversville, 22.

Prof. Wolfscale's Band with Barnum & Bailey Shows—Altoona, Pa., May 17; Johnstown, 18; Pittsburg, 19-20; Wheeling, 21; Uhrichsville, O., 22.

F. C. Huntington's Minstrels—Ashdown, Ark., May 17; Mena, 18; Dequeen, 19; Horatio, 20; Texarkana, 21; Stamp, 22.

A. A. Wright's Band and Minstrels, with Sparks' Annex Band—Clinton, Ill., May 17; Toluca, 18; Chillicothe, 19; Wyoming, 20; Washington, Iowa, 21; Newton, 22.

Prof. L. K. Baker & Co., with 101 Ranch—Dubuque, Iowa, May 17; Oelwein, 18; Cedar Rapids, 19; Davenport, 20; Ottowa, Ill., 21; Chicago, 22-23.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Arrant, Chas. P.
Banks, Charles
Barefield, Tony
Bright, Wm.
Butler & Johnson.
Burton, Ebbie.
Baker, Lawrence
Connor, Reid.
Cole & Cole
Davis, Leslie.
Dumas, T. H.
Eiter, W. A.
Ferguson, B. F.
Frederick, Albert.
Gray, Tony.
Higgins, Billie.
Hallback, Willie.
Hurst, C. E.
Johnson, J. R.
King, Phillips
Keith, Frank.
Lewis, Chas. H.
Lacy, A. M.
Love, Edward J.
Lee, Lawrence
LaRose, C. A.
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Moore, Alonzo.
Powell & Powell.
Peoples, A. A.
Porter, Peter.
Penn, Berry T. P.
Puggsley, H. H.
Richardson, Irvin.
Riley, Geo. A.
Simpson, Fred.
Stafford, Eddie.
Smith & Smith.
Washington, H. B.
White, James.
Williams, J. H.
Williams, Hot Air.
Wheeler, Henry.
Watts, Earnest.
Whitemore, Dr. S. W.

Ladies' List.

Arnte, Gracie.
Brown, Mrs. Mary.
Burton, Dorothy.
Burton, India
Crippen, Katie.
Cooper, Madoline.
Delk, Tootsie.
Fisher, Baby Floyd.
Josephine, D. A.
Lewis, Mattie.
Mitchell, Lelia B.
Moore, Effie.
Nelson, Lucille.
Oliver, Bessie.
Pellabone, J. M.
Prince, Ruth.
Ross, Miss Ella.
Stevens, Lillie
Schaffer, Mrs. B.
Thompson, Emma
Thomas, Bonnie Bell.
Wilson, Bessie.
Williams, Miss Essie.
Whidby, Lula.
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Seen and Heard while Passing

By Salem Tutt Whitney With the Smart Set Co.

Ingratitude and selfishness, these I hold to be the paramount evils that menace our modern civilizations. The great European war that threatens to spread like a fearful contagion over the entire world, can be traced to selfishness and ingratitude. The selfish desire of those in power for personal aggrandizement by the acquiring of additional power and territory is responsible for the frightful loss of life and destruction of property. No loving thoughts of gratitude for the people that placed them in their high positions deters these haughty rulers from offering up their loyal subjects as food for the cannon's maw.

The most pathetic picture, since this world was spoken into existence, is that of Christ on his way to Calvary. His curly brown locks matted with blood from the crown of thorns, placed upon His head by cruel hands of hate; those great loving eyes nearly blinded by dust and ooze; weighted almost to earth by the ungainly cross, the sins humanity; footsore and weary he struggles on and upward toward Golgotha. There they nail Him to the cross and rear it in the air, where He is assailed by missles, taunts and jeers from the maddened, bloodlust crazed multitude seething at his feet. Deserted by His disciples, in vain He listens for one word of sympathy from those He had left heaven to save. Those with whom He had labored and loved, those whom He had taught, healed and restored. At last overwhelmed, by the magnitude of their selfishness and ingratitude, He cries out in His lonesomeness and agony of spirit, "My God! My God; Why hast Thou forsaken me," and dies, not from the pain of the cross, but of a broken heart.

Bringing the lesson nearer home, from managers of theaters, companies, acts, vaudeville exchanges, from partners, from individual performers and from proprietors of theatrical boarding houses and hotels, there come manifold and distressing tales of selfishness and ingratitude. Managers of all descriptions in the show business have almost unanimously agreed to show no more favors to performers who almost invariably repay these favors with the grossest acts of ingratitude. A man or woman with an enviable reputation will seek some obscure partner, teach and boost them until they command attention and gain prestige with the public. Then that partner learns to resent all senior claims of the other, and desiring to see his name come first on letter heads and posters, leaves without notice, steals the act, acquires another partner and some bookings, meets with some degree of success until he in turn is handed the same package he gave the other. To pick up a down and out performer, give him a position with a show or an act and a regular salary, usually means that performers will work well until he or she gets some clothes and a few dollars in pocket, then they become "knockers" and disturbers, resent being reprimanded, jump down without notice, vowing their benefactor to be their worst enemy. In nearly every city proprietors of boarding houses and hotels tell tales of befriending sick and down and out performers, who leave without ever writing back and saying: "I thank you," who never make any attempt to repay the favor, and when they do return to the city, find another place to stop than where they were befriended and recommend others to do the same.

Boys and girls in the profession should remember that we are helping ourselves most when we are helping others. If we give of selfishness and ingratitude, like the Australian boomerang, selfishness and ingratitude will return to us.

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We found the following on the back of a card, advertising the Pekin Theater, Norfolk, Va. Chas. Mosley, proprietor. It is well worth reprinting:

"When the Creator had made all the good things, there was still some dirty work to do, so He made the beasts and reptiles and poisonous insects, and when He had finished this He had some scraps left that were too bad to put into the rattlesnake, the hyena, the scorpion and the skunk, so He put all these together, covered it with suspicion, wrapped it with jealousy, marked it with a yellow streak and called it a knocker.

"This product was so fearful to contemplate that He had to make something to counteract it, so He took a sunbeam and put it in the heart of a child, the brain of a man, wrapped these in civic pride, covered it with brotherly love, gave it a mask of velvet and a grip of steel and called it a booster; made him a lover of friends and flowers, a believer in equality and justice, fairness and honesty; and ever since these two were made mortal man has had the privilege of choosing his associates."

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The Colored Theatrical Guide and Business Directory, Wm. H. Ward, compiler, makes its initial bow to the theatrical and traveling public, and will be found indispensible and full of useful information concerning the colored race in theatrical and business industries. It will also be found a very valuable asset to its advertisers in reaching the better class of the colored race.

As yet the Guide is only a booklet, but if Theatrical folk and business men will rally to its support and help it to grow, its size, influence and effectiveness will rapidly increase. Aside from the theatrical columns in the weekly colored papers we have no theatrical publication. Several have been started but failed principally from lack of support. It is up to us to keep the Guide from suffering a like fate. The price is within the reach of all, only 25 cents, two good cigars and a soda. The first issue contains The S. H. Dudley Enterprises, statistics of the colored race, the Consolidated Vaudeville Exchange of colored theaters, managers, names and addresses, Chicago Colored Business Directory, "The Usual Crime," with variations as compiled by Booker T. Washington, facts worth knowing about the "South," Buffalo Colored Business Directory, colored theaters booking independently in the United States owned and controlled by white managers but supported by colored people, Brooklyn Colored Business Directory, New Jersey Colored Business Directory, statistics of the Negroes' wealth, population and value of Negroes' homes in Washington, D. C., Chicago, New York and the South.

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Bostonians are still waging an unrelenting fight against Thomas Dixon's moving picture, "The Birth of a Nation." It has been denounced by many of the leading white citizens of the city. While many white organizations with thousands of membership have petitioned the Legislature to enact a law placing a censor upon all pictures and shows that incite race hatred. The colored people are sanguine of success in suppressing the picture.

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Chas. Lucketh Roberts, the world's greatest ragtime pianist and composer of "Junkman Rag," "Pork and Beans," "Music Box" rag, "Tremolo Rag" and many others, entertained several members of the Smart Set Company at a special dinner party. After the dinner, Mr. Roberts entertained the company with marvelous renditions of several of his compositions. Mrs. Roberts possesses a beautiful soprano voice and sang very sweetly from the old and new masters. Lucky and his band are employed by the Castles, the world's greatest dancers, to entertain at heir private cabaret.

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James Woodson, of the Smart Set, entertained the company at the home of his mother and sister, No. 12 West 135th street, New York. The evening was delightfully spent with feasting, music and dancing.

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The flat of Miss Jennie B. Hillman, 45 West 132d St., was entered and robbed while Miss Hillman was attending a performance of the Smart Set at the Lafayette Theater. Nothing of value was taken, the thieves contenting themselves with robbing the gas meter, which contained 25 cents, the refrigerator, a few toilet articles, including soap, perfumes, a manicuring set, razor and a pair of house slippers. They were probably foiled in getting the silver and valuable cut glass by the entrance of J. Homer Tutt and Miss Thompson. This is the second time the flat has been entered by thieves in the last four months.

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Some of the colored newspapers and periodicals and many individuals still speak of "His Excellency, the President," and company as the Southern Smart Set. The word "Southern" has been dropped since the retirement of S. H. Dudley and the consequent withdrawal of his company from the road. The present company being the only Smart Set Company en tour and covering all territories North, South, East and West could not appropriately be called the Southern Smart Set Company, meaning no offense to our many Southern friends, whose fidelity and loyal support have made this company possible. It is now recognized and applauded the country over as the one and only colored show upon the road.

STAGE NOTES.

Lew Hall has closed his engagement with The Aristocracy Minstrels on account of misrepresentation. He will open this week in vaudeville at Charlotte, N. C.

After three successful weeks at the Ruby in Louisville, G. A. Buckner, the boy with the big voice will join hands with a female partner. Some singer boys. Watch the Freeman regularly. Regards to friends in and out the profession.

Mr. A. L. King is still with the All-American Shows and is playing to great business. Mr. King is kicking them out of the seats with his favorites, "When the Angelus is Ringing," "Just for Tonight," closing with "You're the Rose That Will Never Die." Regards to all in and out of the profession.

Edwin Jackson, better known as "Jack" (trap drummer), wishes to let his friends know that he is now located in Chicago and will not be on the road this season. He sends regards to P. G. Lowery, Arthur Prince, James Harris and Elmer Robbins and all his "road" friends. Mail will reach him at 3404 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

T. J. CULLIGAN'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS IN CANADA.

We just came out of Washington. While playing Everett, Wash., we had the pleasure of going over to the Follies 1915 and the greatest pleasure of all was to see our leading comedian, the one and only Bert Williams, singing the "Vampire." We also had the pleasure of seeing Johnson & Dean at the Empress doing a clean and refined act. We are now in Vancouver, B. C., and were highly entertained at Mrs. Nellie O. Briens residence. We also played for a ball given by the swell four hundred of Vancouver, Canada. All are well and happy. Regards to all. Thompson says hello John Dennis. I see you are still suspicious about the number 13.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

The McCarvers, a team of funmakers who work well together, carried along the burden of the entertainment offered this week at the New Standard theatre. One of the features of the show was the Erna Ballot Trio in sensational acrobatic stunts. Mme. Fairfax and Stafford aroused interest. Mills and Cardwell, who have a way of their own, were full of inspirational humor. The Twentieth Century Trio helped to amuse while the Burris, Stewart Trio in a sketch entitled the "Henpecked Husband," closed the show. Mr. Charles Taylor, leader of the orchestra, had a number of musical numbers on the program from Stern this week, which delighted the large audience.

NOTES FROM J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTRELS.

We are now in Oklahoma with Kansas to follow. Every one is all smiles as business is good and the ghost walks every Sunday. We have had three new members to join us. Mr. George Christen, Fountain Woods and Walter Lee. Mr. Tom Edwards left us at Lubbock, Texas, and we all miss him. Prof. Jas. Lacy is in Marlin, Texas, on account of his health. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Prof. Wm. Timmons, our band leader, is also on the sick list. We have had quite a bit of illness this season, owing to the change of the weather or climate. Jas. Watkins would like to hear from Jack Powell, Robert Grundy and Leigh Whipper. Maj. Daniels would like to hear from Salem Tutt Whitney. Jacob Ward would like to hear from his brother Richard Ward, of Brunswick, Ga. Address 3012 South VanBuren Place, Los Angeles, Cal. Willie Veneral sends regards to Frankie Latham. Hello, Effie Moore, why don't you write? The bunch sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT—WEEK OF MAY 10, 1915.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre, the Cabaret Players with Kenner & Williams, Harris & Turner and others. Howard Theatre—The Flying Kellers, Mills & Caldwell, The McKarvers. Foraker Summer Garden will soon open on the Dudley Circuit with vaudeville. The Palace Airdome will open on the Dudley Circuit May 17. Jewel Theatre, Smith & Cook, first half; Stevens & Johnson, second half.

Baltimore, Md.—Lincoln (Theatre, Smith & Smith, Stock.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theatre, The Ferroars, Burris, Stewart & Dease.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theatre, Gray & Dunlap.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theatre, closed for repairs; will open May 17.

Philadelphia, Pa.—New Standard Theatre, Rollison & Douglas, King & Marshall; Bijou Theatre, Stockton & Ellis.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Lincoln Theatre, Bonnie & Semoura.

There are two real box office attractions on colored time. I can truthfully say that String Beans and Johnny Woods are the best drawing cards that ever played colored time. I only wish we had more String Beans. He has proven to be the best box office card we have today by breaking all records everywhere he plays.

S. H. DUDLEY.

RICHARD AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS.

Shows may come and shows may go but like Tennyson's Babbling Brook, we go on forever. That is to say, we are on our summer tour. The show don't close, and of the show the press and public everywhere are unstinted in the hearty approval of such talented performers, under the master hand of Jerry Mills, while the band is under the leadership of P. G. Lowery (the mighty), and while we have these two producing geniuses at the helm we fear no one, no where. Of course, as usual, Clarence Powell is the star. Of him so much has been said through these columns that it would be useless to say more, as nothing can be added to his already great reputation, as no one does it like Powell. And the same may be said of Manzie Campbell, whose comedy style is so different from the rest that each night "Manzie" gets his three and four encores and scores heavily in the last act. David D. Smith (Somone Kid) opens the show with Tipperary, and to hear the house storm for him one would think that Jess Willard had stepped out. The Somone Kid is some comedian as well as Ed Tiliver, of international fame, who is one of the few utility men that work good wherever put. Of the singers, Sydney Kirkpatrick heads the list with that rich, resonant baritone; Sydney would easily hold his own in any class you put him in. Jno. A. Watts, the grand old man of minstrelsy, is a nightly hit as well as Geo. Walls, Whitney Viney and Jakie Smith, the boy basso (40 year old boy). The olio consists of P. G. Lowery, cornet virtuoso; nightingale quartette, Clarence Powell, Plantation Pastimes, a one act musical comedy depicting life from the parlor to the plantation. Great number this. Saxaphone four, in operatic numbers, followed by that screaming farce of Jerry Mills, "The Very Cruel Cadets," and the audience goes out saying the best ever.

Will Isreal would like to know the whereabouts of Perry Gant. Write at once per route in Freeman. Business of importance.

David D. Smith would like to know where Billy Kersands and Zeb White are located. Would like to hear from them at once.

Manzie Campbell sends his regards to the whole wide world, for fear some one might take offense.

King Phillip, author of the ever popular "Florida Blues," closed May 8th, to attend to his music business. His address, 1015 West State street, Jacksonville, Fal. Pearl Moppin write.

STAGEOSCOPE.

(By U. Tellitt.)

Dear U Tellit—Will the boys make unnecessary remarks if a paperweight girl would appear in tights?—Timid Tena.

Answer—Don't see why. The English dudes are appearing in tights every day, Tena.

Minor's great play, "The Power of Faith," should hurry, for we have had oodles of hopes and if next winter is anything like the last one, we'll find room for nothing but charity.

Performers kick when the critic says their act is fair, but they like a fair lady.

Dear U. Tellit—I am a lone girl, with no one to look to for information. I started a vaudeville house a few weeks ago and the business is going nicely. Being a woman of a nervous disposition, it places me in the dominion of worry to sit in my theatre and watch the audience give good acts the sour look. What would you advise?—Maidenly Mary.

Answer—The Two Sweets would take some of the rhubarb out of 'em, May.

Col. Brown is contemplating cake walks for the Pekin, Chicago. Let's see. I think cake walks and the coming style in ladies' apparel were, once upon a time, affinities.

"Birth of the Nation" caused sensation,
Can not be denied.
Wasn't in it, 'cause born one minute
And next minute it took and died.

Impossible chance for harmony. The manager hollers when an act is dead. When an act is a scream some managers won't holler.

Surprised to know that Whitney has stopped seeing and hearing, but anyone is liable to stop passing.

St. Louis Orchestra! Got "em."

And the lady who plays piano for the St. Louis harmonizers handles crude manuscripts without a single frown. Rare thing to find a lady who is able to understand our near music.

Dear U. Tellit—My sweetheart was in the British army. But since he shot so many Turks the English have mustered him out for being so cruel, so he says. Haven't heard from him in quite a while. Do you think he has returned to America? His name is Bunny.—Diligent Della.

Answer—Your Bunny lies over the ocean.

ALL AMERICAN SHOWS, BLUE RIDGE, GA.

The All American Shows are now headed north playing to great business. Mr. A. L. King is still with the show. Mr. Walter Lewis is now stage manager, while Mr. Wm. Marshall is cleaning up with his comedy and doing wench. Smith & Smith are still with us, while Willis Mitler is cleaning up with the straight and buck dance. James Crawford is our most eccentric comedian and Mr. Walter Lewis is kicking them out of the seats with his song and dance. His monologue is clean, high class and moral. C. J. Davis is the man that plays the piano with is eyes shut just the same as if he was looking at it. Miss Lucile Brown-King is our dainty soubrette. Mr. King is now at the traps and doubling back in the olio with his latest numbers. Mr. Stokes is on the sick list and does not seem to be improving. He also would like to hear from all friends. All the bunch send regards to all in and out of the profession. Route, Blue Ridge, Ga., Knoxville, Tenn.

HUNTINGTON MINSTRELS.

(By Pearl Moppin.)

The mighty minstrels are back in Arkansas again after two weeks of fair business in Oklahoma.

Our B. & O., under the efficient leadership of Mr. Elwood Johnson, is doing fine. Our two gold solo Cornetists, Johnson and Brown, ably assisted in that section by Mr. Nelson, keeps the heavy bass section in place.

Mr. Rufus Wiggs is improving wonderfully on his euphonium.

Mr. Frank Edwards, trombonist, is rehearsing daily on some solos that he expects to put before the public very soon.

Mr. Sylvester Bevard, trombinist in B. & O., is A1 and doing nicely.

Mr. James Muller, the little man with the big horn, gets plenty of big tones and is a valuable little one.

John Alford is playing plenty of clarinet, but two more would make our reed section in first class shape.

Our band is good and we play concert music. The orchestra also, and play the shows without a hitch, something unusual for an orchestra that has several programmes for the different night shows.

Rastus Lee got lucky for a minute. The boys have been "romping" while in Oklahoma, all having some big times.

Regards to the profession. Very sorry to learn the condition of the once famous A. G. Allen's concert band, which show carried the best minstrel band for years under J. H. McCamon. They number now about six. Only one of the famous band is left with that show.

We have several here and our aim is to take the lead and set that pace for other minstrel bands to follow.

We have able management for the show and the band.

Lookout for the mighty minstrels.

DOINGS WITH DAMON.

(By Harry J. Earle.)

Business continues good through central Wisconsin, although the spring rains are bad. Only seventeen more days and we go into rehearsals for our summer tour under canvas. Prof. Damon, assisted by Mr. Walt. Peterson, are busy men preparing for the opening (not yet decided). The new show will be staged by Prof. Damon and Harry J. Earle, and will be some show from all reports. Had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Ed. P. Barlow, of South Milford, Ind., who formerly owned and controlled Barlow's Circus, some 16 years ago. He is now advance for Wintermute & Hall's Combined shows. Some visit, talking over the times when I used to visit the winter quarters at S. Milford, 16 years ago. Well, the old show is still making the natives take notice. Jos. Albright and H. J. Earle are playing some fast ball with the town teams. Miss Nellie Alexander, our soprano, is cleaning up. Leaving this section "some" warm. With heaps of good luck to you all, yours truly, H. J. Earle.

NOTES FROM WOLFSCALE'S BAND WITH BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS.

We are now in our third week under canvas and business with the greatest show on earth has been extra good. The last two weeks we have been having real circus weather. Prof. Wolfscale has his band up to the standard as usual, and the minstrel is one of the best ever put on. Mr. (Slim) Mason is stage manager. Mr. Mason, Sonny Gray, Wm. Moorehead and Earl (Stoggy) Johnson are the end men this season. The orchestra has eight pieces. Mr. Harvey Holland is the leader. He send regards to his friends. William Moorehead would like to hear from his cousin, Ernest Witt. Al. Franklin, cornetist, sends regards to William Carr and Prof. Jas. Harvey, of the Gollman Bros.' Circus and would like to hear from these two gentlemen at any time. The bunch also sends regards to you. The base ball fever is on the boys now and Troy Wolfscale has begun to frame up his team. Out of 18 members in the band he expects to pick out a good team. Fred (Cat) Garland is again with the white tops and sends regards to his many friends. Prof. James Wolfscale sends regards to Prof. Jas. Harris, P. G. Lowery and Roy Pope, wishing them a successful season.

THE FAMOUS ALABAMA MINSTRELS.

We are still in Kansas packing them nightly. A good band and a good show will pack them anywhere. Our bandmaster, Prof. Frank Moland, is due special mention and a deal of praise for his great feature concert band which is playing all the standard and popular airs of the day. The band proved quite a drawing card in Hutchinson, Kan., last week, as we had to turn them away. All you could hear was "did you see those boys in those tango suits? My, but couldn't they play. Get out of the way and let me get on the very front row," cause I'm crazy 'bout that band with the Alabama show. Mr. Raymond Latimore, of the Alabama fame, sends best regards to Harry Owens with the Virginia Minstrels. J. A. O'Bryant would like to hear from Robt. Young. Kid Bumpsky would like to hear from Sam Russell. Address all mail care of The Freeman. The team of Little Willie and Leola Edwards, and their trick mule Mickey. This trio is always the big noise and never fail to get theirs. Mr. Robt. Cade is still with us, and wishes to be remembered to little Dick Brown with the Virginias. James Thomas, of the team of Thomas & Austin, sends best regards to Miss Callie Green. He is now working with "Flashy" Rae Wallburg, going big. The act is so different from the rest, as it is costumed in the real Wallburg style. Rae sends best regards to Chas. and Sadie Pence, Wm. Fisher, Wm. Randall and Dick Brown. Mr. C. A. Parks, our manager, certainly knows the minstrel biz. That accounts for the great success he is having. He would like to hear from A. J. McFarland and Dick Stewart. Geo. McKnight, formerly of the A. G. Allen Minstrels, sends best regards to all friends. The "old reliable" Doctor Leon, the most talked of physician throughout this and Continental Europe, is still with us, and as usual the official talked of the show. Hi Henry Hunt joined us in Pawnee Rock, and made quite an impression with his noted fire eating act.

STAGE NOTES.

Norris Grigsby wishes it known he is still with J. M. Busby's Minstrels, and singing "Cows May Come and Cows May Go But the Bull Goes on Forever." Regards to J. B. Norton.

Frank Nichols, with Busby's Minstrels, would like to hear from Bennie Jones. Why don't you write?

Easton & Easton has just closed at Columbus, Ga., will now play a return engagement at the New Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla., for two weeks beginning May 10th. Easton & Easton.

The Pughs, E. E. and Lizzie, are in their third week at the Iroquois theater, New Orleans, going big.

W. W. Davis is in Lynchburg, Va. Will join hands with a lady and he is trying to sell her that horse. Would like to hear from all friends. Tootsy Delk, why don't you answer my letter? All mail will reach me at 616 Fifth street. Hello, A. G. Allen bunch.

MULLER PUTS UP GAME BATTLE WITH WILLIAMS — SAILOR BURTON DEFEATS TERRY MARTIN—BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Banty Muller, substituting for Harry Gardner in a bout against Frankie Williams at the all-colored show of the Vanderbilt A. C., last week, sprung a big surprise on his opponent as well as the fight fans, who expected to see a K. O. in short order. While Muller was not the winner, he put up one of the gamest battles ever seen in the Vanderbilt A. C. ring. He forced Williams to his fastest pace, and the latter was well tired out at the final bell. There was not an idle moment in the bout. Both boys were roundly cheered by the fans at the finish.

The first round started off in furious fashion. Muller headed after Williams under full steam, Williams punching away steadily while blocking most of Muller's punches. Muller again kept Williams busy in the second round, but the latter's punches failed to budge his game opponent. In the third round Williams' punches cut Muller under the right eye. Williams landed terrific left hooks to the body and right and left hand swings to the head. Muller scored with a few uppercuts. The round wound up in a furious exchange of punches.

Muller stod up before everything handed out by his opponent in the fourth round and that was a considerable assortment of hooks, swings and jabs. Muller punched steadily, but Williams blocked practically all attempts. The fifth round found Williams using a hook to the body and swings for the jaw, but making no other impression than to cause Muller to keep boring in for more. The sixth round was the slowest of the bout, Williams' stalling through the three minutes, blocking all of Muller's attempts to land.

In the seventh round Williams punched away at Muller as fast as he could swing both hands. Muller's nose was bleeding, as was the cut under his right eye. Williams punched so often that the sound of the bell was as welcome to his ears as it undoubtedly was to Muller.

Muller's left eye was puffed up in the eighth round and his nose was bleeding. Williams took things easier. He appeared to be puzzled at the strength of his opponent and the latter's willingness to keep mixing in spite of the punshiment handed out to him.

In the ninth round Muller came through with brilliant work and almost as many blows as Williams. There was a punch every second in the round. Both boys were tired in the tenth, but still punched away at each other until the bell. The weights were, Williams, 119½; Muller, 124.

Wee Wee Barton, 138 pounds, found little trouble in outpointing Kid White, 150 pounds, in another of the ten-round bouts. In the first round Barton jabbed to White's face, the latter coming in wide open after Barton all the time. White's ferocious fighting poses featured the second round. Barton hit often. In the third round White came out under full speed and landed some hard wallops to Barton's head. Wee Wee had the best of the punching in the latter part of the round. Several of Barton's wallops caused his heavy opponent to wobble in the fourth. In the fifth White sustained a cut under his left eye. Barton dazed his opponent in the sixth with straight jabs to the face and body. Wee Wee's right drives to the body featured the seventh round, and straight jabs to the face rocked White in the eighth. In the ninth and tenth Barton punched away at both face and body but could not upset White.

"Coke" Williams defeated Smoke Jones in a four-round bout. Both were wild, but Smoke took the grand prize in this line. Williams carried the battling to his oponent at all times and had the latter well tired out at the end of each round. Smoke's nose was bleeding from Williams' jabs in the fourth round. Sailor Burton defeated Terry Martin in the final ten-round bout.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Mrs. Green Moten, who has been on the sick list for some time, is greatly improved. -- Mr. H. H. Buckering has just arrived from Jackson, Miss., where he has been on business. -- Mrs. Moses Jones is very sick. -- Mr. Joe Jackson, of Electric Mills, Miss., is in the city visiting friends. -- Miss Bertha Birch, of Scooba, Miss., is in the city and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Griggs at 14th street and 30th avenue. -- For your ice cream, cold drinks and pure drugs remember that you can find them at the Howard drug store, the leading drug store. You will also find The Freeman on sale every Saturday.

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----FOR YOU.
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----He's a Devil In His Own Home Town.
----HER ANSWER.
----He'd Have to Get Under, Get Out and Get Under to Fix His Automobile.
----HE'S COMING HOME ON THE EIGHT O'CLOCK TRAIN.
----He's a Rag Picker.
----I Love the Ladies.
----I MISS YOU JUST A LITTLE MORE EACH DAY.
----I'm a Fool Who Believed in You.
----I Miss You Most of All.
----I'm Crying Just for You.
----IF I COULD ONLY CALL YOU MINE.
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----IF I SHOULD FIND ANOTHER BOY.
----International Rag. (Irving Berlin.)
----I Want to Go Back to Michigan.
----In the Valley of the Moon.
----I LOVE YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE YOU.
----If I Had Someone at Home Like You I Wouldn't Want to Go Out.
----I'll Do It All Over Again.
----I Want You All Day Long.
----I'm the Guy Who Paid the Rent for Mrs. Rip Van Winkle.
----I Wonder Where My Easy Rider's Gone?
----Isle D'Amour.
----DOWN IN DEAR OLD TENNESSEE.
----In the Candle Light.
----I HEAR THE OZARK MOUNTAINS CALLING ME.
----IF YOU LOVE ME, CALL ME SWEETHEART.
----Just for Tonight.
----JUST TO LOVE YOU.
----JUST A DREAM AT DAWN.
----Last Night Was the End of the World.
----Lonesome for You.
----My Long Lost Love.
----Dancing at the Georgia Jubilee.
----Let's Fill the Old Oaken Bucket With Love.
----My Croony Melody.
----MEMPHIS BLUES.
----MEET ME AT THE MEAT MARKET, WINNIE.
----Meet Me Where the Shadows Fall.
----MARY PICKFORD.
----MY HEART FOR YOU PINES AWAY.
----NIGHT TIME.
----NO ONE CAN TAKE YOUR PLACE
----On the Shores of Italy.
----Oh, My Love.
----OH, YOU IRRESISTIBLE CHILD.
----On the Banks of Lovelight Bay.
----Peg O' My Heart.
----PAL O' MINE.
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----Sweet Bunch of Daisies.
----Silver Threads Among the Gold.
----SING ME THE ROSARY.
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----SUE OF THE CUMBERLANDS.
----They Start the Victrolia; and Go Dancing Around.
----The High Cost of Loving.
----The Old Songs I Long to Hear.
----This Is the Life.
----THERE IS SOMEONE WHO IS THINKING OF YOU.
----The Trail of the Lonesome Pine.
----To Have, To Hold, To Love.
----That's How I Need You.
----Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold.
----Tales of Hoffman. (Beautious Night.)
----Tipperary Mary.
----The Rosary. (Sacred.)
----That International Rag.
----There's a Girl in the Heart of Maryland.
----Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing.
----THEN YOU WILL LOVE ME TOO.
----THAT MELODY WALTZ.
----When You Wore a Tulip and I Wore a Big Red Rose.
----When You Play the Game of Love.
----When You're a Long Way from Home.
----Who Paid the Rent for Mrs. Rip Van Winkle?
----While the Rivers of Love Flow On.
----While They Were Dancing Around.
----When I Dream of Old Erin.
----When I Lost You.
----Where the River Shannon Flows.
----WHEN YOU AND I WERE YOUNG, MAGGIE.
----What D'ye Mean You Lost Your Dog?
----Where the Red Red Roses Grow.
----WHEN YOU DREAM OF THE GIRL WHO DREAMS OF YOU.
----Why Did You Make Me Care?
----WHEN TWILIGHT COMES.
----When the Angelus Is Ringing.
----WHEN VESUVIUS LOSES ITS FIRE.
----When I Met You on Love Avenue.
----WHEN YOU DREAM OF THE GIRL.
----When It's Night Time Down in Burgundy.
----WILL YOU LOVE THEN AS NOW?
----We Stand for Peace.
----You Won My Heart.
----You Got to Be Kind to Me.
----You Broke My Heart to Pass the Time Awaw.
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SPORT VAGARIES.

Honus Wagner's Gun—The Baseball Business Not as Easy as It Looks to be—The Greatest Boxers.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Last week I said there were other Hamlets in the sporting business besides the erstwhile champion of Hamitic extraction. Nor do I mean to speak slightingly of him, for he was a most excellent subject. However, he was not of those kind that made for journalistic integrity — veracity, I mean. He called for some passion, but none too much of the truth. Gross stuff was grabbed and just as greedily devoured as the most refined. Give us something new was the demand; never mind about the truth—give us something new. And they did.

This column while "dedicated" to sport will not always strictly adhere to its calling. Now and then there will be side excursions, and into various regions where sport has no habitation. The object will not be to try to give learned expositions when on these byproducts, but more or less Don Quixotish. Neither words, thought or expressions will be too much pruned. So if what appears is thought to be extravagant it should be set down as the nature of the "brute." It may not have been necessary to have spoken of the intent—just let it advertise itself—but I have seen people at the theatre who laughed in the wrong place. This is notably true of my own folk.

By the way the moving picture business is doing a kind of good that was not dreamed of. The colored people are learning to read as never before—regular night schools. There is that great desire to read which makes it a possession—the ability in less than half the time it usually takes. I attended a show not long since, right here in my home town, Indianapolis. A couple sat behind me, a man and a woman. The woman read every label in my ear with such a persistency that it seemed malignant. It was to inform me, I was charitable to think, that she could read everything that they could put out there. And she did very well, missing only one word. She run over this one hurriedly as if to make a bluff good. But mentally I called her hand. It annoyed me a bit, but looking at her, I thought, while you are reading and spelling you will be keeping out of mischief. I think she noticed that I was annoyed because just about that time she commenced reading the name of the films company. When the manuscript went on she was floored, taking the full count of ten. This was an unexpected hiatus in her affairs. After this I observed that she was braver in her efforts at reading the labels as if she had to make up for lost ground. The name of the films company was the same, of course, on each series of pictures, but she read it each time, reminding one of the phonograph which announces a song and then says, "Columbia Record."

Now, then, back to the subject I started out anent the excursions, byproducts and so forth. I will let that old Persian, Omar Khayyam, have a word to say apropos:

Why if the soul can fling the dust aside,
And naked on the air of heaven ride,
Were't not a shame—were't not a shame for him
In this clay carcass cripple to abide.

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But there will be no skyrocketing done at this juncture. I promised to tell of Honus Wagner's $65 gun in this issue. Now, should I do the thing proper, I would introduce the next installment by a symposium of what has proceeded, giving the readers a fair insight into the past, provided they have not read it, so that they could thoroughly appreciate what's in store for them. But this is no regular serial.

"It is yours," said the scribe, turning it over to Honus. Wagner found his tongue and talked as he had not talked for years. The scribe was his companion for two or three days, and then departed for home with a lot of material.

The money that Honus has turned down for the same work would have bought him a young arsenal and some apartment houses. But it is a case of knowing your man and catering to his fancies, and a shotgun proved the lucky bait.

Shotgun Finally Wins Him.

That shotgun is about the only thing that Honus has made in baseball outside of what he earned on the diamond.

No less than a dozen offers were made Honus to appear on the stage. In a brother act he and Lajoie were to split $1,500 a week in vaudeville some years ago, but the German went on a fishing trip while the Frenchman was figuring on splitting the first week's pay. Fred Clarke once was offered $500 a week salary, with $200 a week extra for every week he could keep Honus on the stage in a little act, where all the two had to do was to engage in an exhibition with a basketball. Nothing ever came of it.

An automobile concern that located in the west two years ago offered Wagner a big sum and some stock in the business for use of his name and pictures and his co-operation in advertising stunts. He would not listen to it. Similar offers have been made to him for the last twelve years, but he has declined them all.

Turning Down Large Offers.

Newspapers and writing syndicates have offered him as high as $1,000 and a percentage for his articles, and he has scorned their cash.

And then he fell for a shotgun.

A filtered water concern once pulled a trick over on Wagner, and Honus almost started a riot. They had offered him a good sum of money for the use of his name in connection with their bottled water. Failing in this, their photographer camped at the Pirate bench one day. While Wagner and Marty O'Toole stood on either side of the drinking stand the photographer snapped them. A week later the advertisement with the picture appeared in the street cars. Honus was furious.

In the face of these things how can any one blame the Feds for not trying to land him? Wagner is not paid his $10,000 a year by the Pittsburgh club for his ball playing alone. A big part of his remuneration is a reward for his loyalty to the National League when the American was formed. But Ban Johnson might have landed Honus had he given him a shot gun.

Perhaps the Feds could win Honus over with an auto, a fishing tackle and a can of bait. With a man of Wagner's humor these things have a greater influence than the millions of Rockefeller.

Wagner is among the humblest of men. He abhors chance acquaintances with well dressed folk. In his travels he makes pals of railroad men, elevator operators, and quite often he will hook up with some poor fellow and show him a time. He would rather whittle a stick with some poor farm hand than be entertained by a millionaire. On the ball club he holds aloof from the big fellows, and for companions he selects the youngest and most obscure "rookies."

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This Honus Wagner story is not by me. It is too good to steal from the author whose name I forget at this time. Polonious in his advice to his son had something to say about stealing. "He who steals my purse," said he, "steals trash. 'Twas mine, 'tis his, and belonged to a whole lot of other folk before it was his or mine, but he that filches me of my good name takes that which does not make him rich, but makes me poor indeed." It will be observed that the quotation is not literal—it is liberal, very liberal. Some one has said that an educated man does not misquote, nor does he misspell a word. As for the latter assertion the educated man can thank Mr. Webster every day for preserving his status quo.

Somehow I like Honus Wagner. I always thought I would like him before I knew as much of him as I now know. He is so human in his make up. Not that he is the rule; he is the exception; but not alone. Here and there are such persons, who are not straining after conventionality, not training with the crowds but just contest to go along finding joy in the byways and hedges of life.

Perhaps it is not wise to preach up such characters, but, just the same, they are the ones that make books; they are the delight of the stage people. They have corners to them. They are budgets, human exchequers on which we can draw. They have qualities that stand out so contrary that they are attractive and loved. We may not, would to heaven that we were such a man, or person, but we can't help but admire such characters.

"He makes pals of railroad men, elevator operators and quite often he will hook up with some poor fellow and show him a time." Such a man would not touch your purse. He has no use for money beyond the defense of family and declining days.

COLORED MEN FORM TEAM TO BOOK STRONG CONTESTS.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.

Walter Smith and W. M. Payne have organized a baseball team of colored players to be known as the Champagne Velvets. The club will be one of the best ever seen in action in Terre Haute and is open to play all first class semi-pro clubs throughout the country. Twenty-seven names have been booked out of town while the home games will bring Rube Foster's American Giants, the Sprudels of West Baden, the Cuban All Stars, Indianapolis A. B. C. club and other teams equally well known. Foster's Giants are better known than any other colored team playing ball today and has met the best teams in the country.

Games in Terre Haute will be played at League Park throughout the season. The Velvets will have a good team and when on the road will carry 14 or 15 men. Among the candidates for places are Gamble and Lewis, first base; Williams, third base; Warfield, second base; Barber, shortstop; Davis, left field; Cook, center field; Artis and Elmo, catchers; Russell, Arnold, McMillan, Payne and Brown, pitchers; and Stephens, utility. New uniforms have been received and the club will have its first practice in the "unies" Friday.

Several open dates are to be filled and the club is now ready to book more games with fast clubs. The Velvets will have one of the fastest colored clubs in this section of the country and games are wanted only with god teams. Any clubs wishing games may get in communication with Secretary W. M. Payne, care of the Hotel Deming or call old phone No. 1800.

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

Kid Grimes, of Minueapolis, would like to meet any 118-lb. fighter in the world. Address 3013 Garfield avenue, Minneapolis, Minn., care E. Jones.

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Battling Levinsky has had his hands insured for $8,000. In case of injury to either hand which might cause the Battler to cancel a fight he will now be able to collect from the insurance company.

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Oklahoma City.—Jess Willard, champion heavyweight, was made defendant in a $20,500 suit for alleged breach of contract here May 4. A. W. Phillips and A. H. Cutrel filed the suit, claiming to be assignees of a contract between Willard and his former manager, J. D. Brock. Service of the summons was made after the deputy had smashed a window in Willard's private car, where he was found barricaded in a lavatory.

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Chicago.—Willie Ritchie, one time king of the lightweights, has abandoned hope of getting champion Freddie Welsh into a title tilt and has entered the welterweight class. He says: "I have tried to secure a return match with Welsh," said the Californian, "but he has refused. As I am growing heavier, I have decided to break into the welter class, and am ready to meet all comers—Mike Gibbons preferred. I know he may have trouble in making that figure, but as it is the legitimate welterweight, he should either make it or relinquish what claims he has to the title."

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San Francisco.—The Olympic Club celebrated its fifty-fifth anniversary May 6. It was founded May 6, 1860, and has played an important part in the athletic and social life of the city from the beginning. The actual idea of establishing the club was conceived by Charles and Arthur Nagle in 1855. They began with an open air gymnasium in their back yard. The present handsome building was decorated today in honor of the club's birthday. The new quarters, completed in 1912, cost $550,000.

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Kid Lightning, the well known colored featherweight fighter, has defeated everything he met this year and registered two knockouts, and is now looking for more. Address 640 West Union street, Jacksonville, Fla.

The Havana Stars, of Chicago, played their first game of ball with William Hale Thompson's Athletic club, last Sunday, defeating it by a score of 7 to 2.

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Denver.—Johnny Corbett, manager of Young Corbett when the latter won the world's championship, and manager of the first fight club here, has offered Jess Willard $30,000 to meet Gunboat Smith here on July 4. Willard and Smith will be in Denver this week and it is hoped articles will be signed then.

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Louisville, Ky., May 9—The Louisville White Sox easily defeated the Carlisle Indians here today, 11 to 0. Score:

Indians	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2
Wh. Sox	0	2	1	3	1	0	2	2	*	—	11	13	3

BATTLING AT CHARLESTON, S. C.

Kid Brown Meets Kid Grant at the West Side A. C. Tuesday, May 14th.

A good card has been arranged for a special show at the West Side A. C. Friday, May 14th, in the main bout of six rounds Kid Grant, the rugged old timer, Charleston's colored lightweight, who has met the best of them, stacks up with that aggressive East Side boy, Kid Brown. In semi final of 4 rounds, Duke Burns vs. the Carolina Kid. This should also be a good one as both these boys are tough youngsters. In an extra bout Young Joe Wolcott will meet Eddie Coleman in a 4 setto as a windup.

BILLY McCLURE DEFEATS CYCLONE LAWE—WANTS TO MEET ONE ROUND BESS.

On the night of May 22 I met and defeated Cyclone Lawe of Terre Haute, Ind. I gave Mr. Lawe the nicest beating he has ever had in six rounds. As Mr. Lawe has been telling his friends he beat me down here, I beat him once and I can do it again and at any time. I will meet Mr. Lawe of Terre Haute, J. W. Fox of Fort Wayne, Ind., and the famous One Round Bess of Indianapolis, in a twenty round go winner to take all with a side bet of $25.00 to $100.00. As for Mr. Lawe, I would prefer him in a ten round go, as I can stop him within ten rounds.

BILLY McCLURE,
West Baden, Ind.

JIM CORBETT'S FAREWELLS.

That remarkably clever, scientific artist of the squared circle, James J. Corbett, bid farewell to the boxing fans on several occasions, but he returned again and again to the ring only to meet defeat. The first time Peter Maher put Steve O'Donnell out, Corbett, who was at the ringside, jumped through the ropes after O'Donnel was dragged to his corner by his second and in a little speech handed over the big title to Peter. The latter was a bit dazed by Jim's sudden action, but Maher put the championship in his inside pocket and left the arena amid howling cheers and glory galore.

But Corbett could not stay retired, for when Bob Fitzsimmons came thundering after him with a defiant challenge, he made a match with Lanky Bob. They fought at Carson City, Nev., on St. Patrick's Day, 1897, and Fitz K. O. the artistic Corbett in the 14th round. Jim again announced his retirement from the fistic game. But he re-entered again to battle Tom Sharkey, to whom he lost on a foul and he twice tried to regain the championship from Jim Jeffries, who, in the meanwhile, had lowered Fitzsimmons' colors and had become the wearer of the big crown. Corbett lost both battles and finally retired for good. He has been coining money on the stage ever since.—Jack Skelley.

PUT BAND ON DIAMOND LINGO.

New York.—Cambridge dispatches verify rumors of a definite movement on the part of Harvard, Princeton and Yale to refine the diamond chatter that one commonly associates with baseball games, whether played by college or professional teams. John Waterman, Harvard catcher, is active in the campaign. What he objects to is that constant chatter, made up of ungrammatical, unimaginative and raucous reiteration of meaningless words and sentences. It means good bye to "'ataboy," "gottem gessin'," etc.

ATHLETIC AND AMUSEMENT CLUB.

San Antonio, Texas.

Editor Freeman—We write to inform you of the rapid growth and achievements of the Young Colored Men's Athletic and Amusement Club of this city. The club is now very strong for its youth, having only been organized in December, and includes some of the best fighters in Texas. We stage weekly bouts at Dreamland Theatre every Wednesday. The next will be a 10-round bout for the championship of Texas between Bum Spears and Son Goodrich known as the "West End Tar Baby." Jesse Mitchell, the crack feather, will fight Willie Mathews in the semi-windup. On Thursday last the club pulled off two rattling good bouts at Electric Park before an immense crowd. One Round Norman fought a fast, exciting 8-round draw with Young Jackson, of Boston, former sparring partner with Johnny Kilbane, and Son Goodrich stopped Leo Shed in the 7th of a ten round windup. Goodrich is very busy now and has a big match on Saturday next with Aguilar, the champion boxer and wrestler of Mexico, at the Bullfight arena on corner of Laredo and Houston. Goodrich is the best boy in the South at his weight, 145 lbs., and challenges any boy in the country at that weight. Jesse Mitchell challenges all at 124 lbs., and One Round Norman at 133 lbs. For matches write me at this address and send photo clippings, etc. H. G. Levett, manager, 503 East Commerce street.

P. S.—All the boys in the club buy the Freeman.

K. C. COLTS CELEBRATE OPENING OF SEASON—TAKES ONE FROM SCHMELZER.

The Kansas City Colts celebrated the opening of their season by administering the first defeat of the season to the strong Schmelzer Arms Club, at Brenneisen's Park, before a crowd of 900 enthusiastic fans by the score of 4 to 0. The features of the game were the all around fielding of the Colts and the pitching of Donaldson, who struck out 19 men and let the Schmelzers down without a hit and the home run drive of Gray over the fence in the first inning.

STATE NORMAL DEFEATS MONTGOMERY, ALA., SELMA.

The State Normal School Baseball Club of Montgomery, Ala., defeated the Selma professional baseball team on their campus Friday, April 16, in one of the best games that has ever been witnessed on their diamond.

The battery for S. N. S. were O'Neal, May and Watts. For Selma Dowdell, Cooley and Smith.

The hitting of Brown and Smith for Selma, the battery work for S. N. S. and the hitting of the S. N. S. team were features of the game.

The scores were as follows:

										R.	H.	E.
Selma	1	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	7	7	2
S. N. S.	0	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	8	12	1

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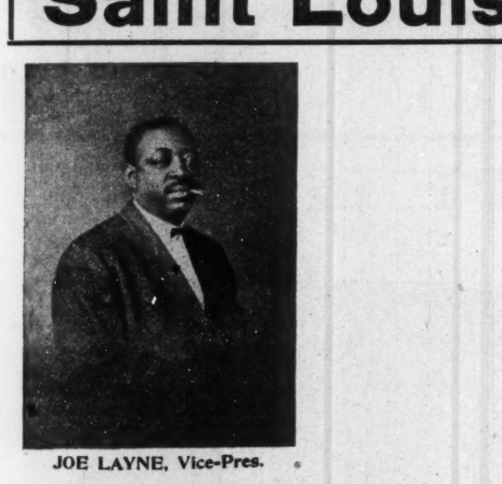

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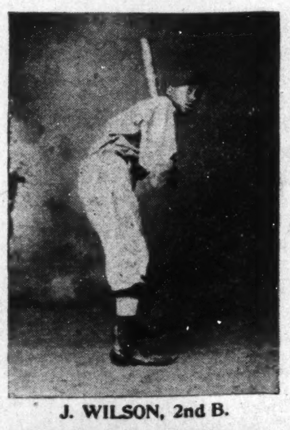

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ST. LOUIS, MO.

May 9, 1915.

The St. Louis Cubs lost the second game of their series with East St. Louis today in a hard-fought contest, this being the first game the Cubs have lost this season.

SCORE.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R
St. Louis Cubs	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
E. St. Louis Giants	0	0	2	0	0	0	3	1	*	6

Bat's Cubs—Taylor and Mall.
Bat's Giants—Frenchie and Smith.
Struck out by Taylor, 11.
Struck out by Smith, 8

Cubs.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Giants.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Wilson, cf.	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Greene, 2b.	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dixon, 3b.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	St. James, ss.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bostic, lf.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	August, 1b.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hutt, 1b.	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Smith, c.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Smith, ss.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Wilson, 3b.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tyler, 2b.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	McGee, cf.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Coons, rf.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Robinson, rf.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mall, c.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Neal, lf.	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
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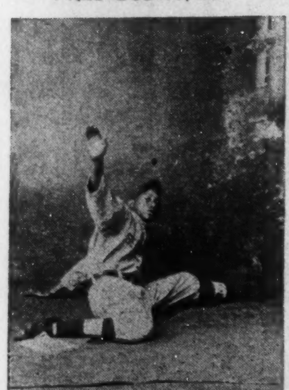

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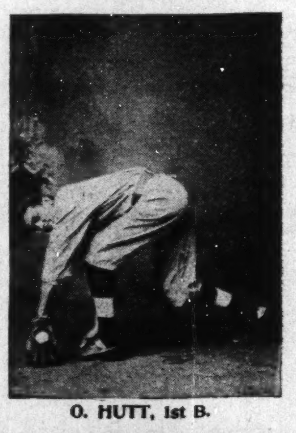

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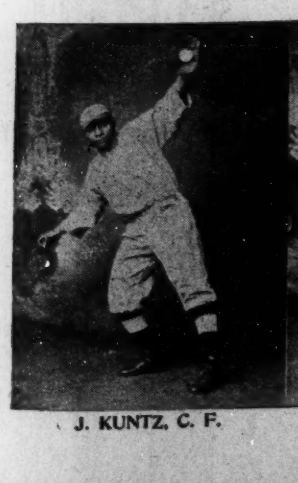

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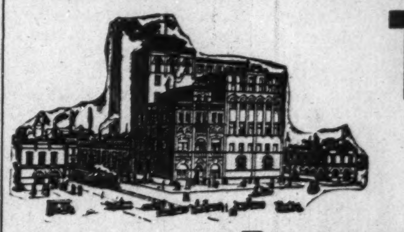

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bly, of Chicago, are the guests of Mrs. Bly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cheatham,

The girl evangelist, Myrtle Moore, conducted, alone, a revival service in Terre Haute. Souls were added to Christ through her teaching.

The Young People's Club of the Second Christian church, led by Miss Clara Kirk, will give a Japanese tea in connection with a popularity contest, Friday night, May 21.

More than a hundred converts were baptised in Fall creek last Sunday morning, from the churches of the Revs. C. J. Leonard, B. J. Prince, J. H. Holder and B. F. Farrell.

Mrs. Willard Wilson, who has been for two weeks the guest of her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Leonard, formerly of this city, has returned to her home in Connersville.

Mrs. Ida Bryant, state statistician of the Federated Colored Clubs of Indiana, desires all clubs having received blanks for their reports to return them at once so she may complete her report.

The Research Club was entertained by Mrs. Mary P. Smith Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Josie Porter will speak of "Robert Gould Shaw as a Soldier." A biographical sketch will be given by Mrs. Allie Cheatham.

The Sunday school classes of Simpson chapel are making elaborate preparations for the Children's Day exercises, under direction of Mrs. M. A. Sissle, primary superintendent, and William R. Hill, superintendent.

The Charles Sumner school will hold its field-day exercises on Wednesday, May 26. The exercises of school No. 17 will be held June 4. A field day and home-coming will be held by school No. 26 during the last week in May.

Mrs. Penelope Booth went to Chicago Friday to visit her son, Chester, and returned Monday to join her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Valentine, who will leave this week for Bordentown, N. J., where Mr. Valentine has accepted a position.

Mrs. Mary E. Mayes, who has been engaged as a nurse for the Flower Mission for several years, will be one of the speakers for the educational meeting to be held at Mt. Zion church Sunday evening, under the auspices of the Woman's Improvement Club.

Club No. 1, of which Silas Priestley is the captain, will give a concert at the Second Christian church Friday evening. Among the participants will be: Mrs. Hattye Gaillard, Mrs. W. E. Brown, dramatic reader, and the following soloists: Karl Perry, Amos Thompson, Mrs. Mildred Jackson King, Miss Pearl Barnes, and Miss Grace Barbour.

The Society of Ethical Culture, of which Miss Ruth Sissle is president, has appointed a scholarship committee to raise a fund for a scholarship for some worthy student. The committee has arranged for a series of three meetings to be held on the last Sunday afternoons in May, June and July, at which the respective speakers will be President Howe, of Butler College; Governor Ralston and Mr. Willis, president of the Chamber of Commerce. The meetings will be held at the Witherspoon United Presbyterian church.

ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Services at St. Philip's will be as follows:
7:30—Holy Communion.
11:00—Holy Communion and sermon; topic, "Knowledge of God."
3:00—Sunday school.
8:00—Evening song and sermon.

WILLIAM PICKENS SPEAKS AT SIMPSON CHAPEL.

William Pickens, professor in Wiley University, of Marshall, Tex., addressed a citizens' meeting Monday evening at Simpson chapel under the auspices of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Mr. Pickens is an honor graduate of Yale University. He is the president of the Alabama State Teachers' Association and as such has wielded great influence over the teaching body of the south.

THE WOMAN'S IMPROVEMENT CLUB.

The Woman's Improvement Club, of which Mrs. A. S. Simms is president, was the guest of Mrs. Frances Martin last Thursday evening. The paper to have been read by Mrs. George Brabham and other numbers of the program were postponed and plans were taken up for the continuance of the series of educational meetings in the interest of the tuberculosis work of the club. Meetings were announced for Sunday evening, May 16, at Simpson chapel, to be in the charge of Mrs. Mattie Hill and Mrs. Frances Martin; at Allen chapel, in the charge of Mrs. Jennie Taylor and Mrs. Roxie Bell. Special programs will be given and a collection taken for the club.

"QUEEN O' THE MAY" CANTATA.

A children's cantata, entitled, "Queen o' the May," will be given at Second Christian church under the auspices of St. Margaret's Guild, for the benefit of St. Philip's Episcopal church, Tuesday, May 18, at 8 p. m. Admission, 10 cents.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCHES.

At Madame Meadows' Spiritualist church last Monday night the president of the Indiana State Association of Spiritualist Churches, Mr. Benedict, was present, and he again gave quite a lengthy talk on "Spirits' Return." Afterwards Madame Meadows fave 49 messages from the dead and all were recognized by the vast crowd that could get in the house. But there were many turned away again, as there was no room. Her church meeting is held each Monday night from 8 to 10 o'clock. Everybody is welcome.

MRS. EMMA CARTER, MOTHER OF JEFF AND TOMMY GATES, DIED APRIL 9TH.

Mrs. Emma Carter, 112 Emmett street, age 46 years, died April 9th at 4:35 p. m.

She is survived by two sons, Jeff and Tommy E. Gates, and husband, Chas. Carter. Funeral held at Mt. Zion church Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Carter was only sick two weeks. She died of typhoid fever. Mrs. Carter leaves a host of friends to mourn her demise.

Lucas Willis, funeral director.

METHODIST BROTHERHOOD TO GIVE BANQUET AT SIMPSON CHAPEL.

The Methodist Brotherhood of Simpson Chapel will give a banquet Tuesday evening, May 18th, at which time a membership campaign will be launched for a larger Brotherhood. This banquet is for the members and their male friends. An excellent program has been arranged as follows: Toastmaster, George Wilkes; invocation, Moses Franklin; The Occasion, W. C. Gardner; Methodism, J. C. Hayes; The Organization, Will Cook; Fall in Line, Jerry Daniels; solo, David Mason; Odds and Ends, A. W. Roades.

A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

North and Blackford Streets.

Sunday at 11 a. m., Rev. J. Wiley Thomas, of Henderson, Ky., will preach. At 7:45 p. m., the choir will have one of their famous sacred concerts, to which public generally is invited to listen. Mr. Thomas T. Taylor will give a twenty-minutes' talk on "Christian Service."

Monday night, Rev. Mr. Holder, of Ebenezer Baptist church, will preach for the Daughters of Conference.

Wednesday night, the contest between four small girls will come off.

Thursday night, the Dorcas Circle will close a contest between six ladies after class meeting.

Friday night, the play, "Half Breed," will be given for the benefit of Mrs. S. K. Bottoms' club, the choir and Research clubs. This is a great play and offers a splendid moral to each and every one. So we must not fail to hear and see it.

Saturday night, May 23, the Merry Widow Club will close their contest between the four ministers.

Sunday, May 23, is the rally. Each member is asked to pay one dollar, is all in this rally.

BERTHA BLAINE DIES.

Bertha Blaine was born in Simpson county, Ky., Feb. 10, 1895, came to this city about four years ago with her mother and brother and has since

BERTHA BLAINE.

that time made Indianapolis her home. She was a girl of extreme social ability and made a host of friends, both old and young, and will be greatly missed in her circle.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to tender our thanks to our many friends and neighbors, ministers, singers and Mr. James N. Shelton, whose efficient service and sympathy and beautiful floral offerings brought comfort to our grief-stricken hearts during the illness and death of Bertha Blaine.
MOTHER, FATHER and RELATIVES.

BIBLE CLASS NO. 2 WINS.

Had Largest Class Attendance—Rev. Father Maloney Presented With Handsome Desk Set.

The term of the three Bible classes of the Y. M. C. A. came to a close last Tuesday evening. During the term, in order to increase the membership, it was proposed that at the winding up to give the class having the greatest number in attendance during the term, a chicken supper, instead of the somewhat monotonous bean supper which is a peculiar Y. M. C. A. function. Owing to misunderstanding the chicken supper was merely a vision—it did not come off.

Class No. 2 taught by Father Maloney had the largest attendance. The members were a little put out because the chicken supper did not come to pass after they had worked so hard to win. However, they consoled themselves by rewarding Father Maloney with a $6.00 desk set, because of the interest he showed and for faithful performance of service.

R. B. Smith, the attorney, made the presentation speech. He was happy in his expressions and mood. Father Maloney responded in a similar strain, saying that he was truly surprised. He showed that he was touched by the incident.

Every plate was taken at this banquet, somewhat meager, yes, but rich in cheer and hope. Most of the members of all the classes were present; also ladies, visitors, Secretary Taylor and other Y. M. C. A. officials. Speeches and resolutions were made by Messrs. H. L. Sanders, Gurley Brown, Attorneys Ransome, Brockenburr, Bailey, Lee, Dr. Perkins and others.

THE WOMAN'S COUNCIL SECOND ANNUAL FAIR, MAY 24, 25.

The Woman's Council, an organization of eighty colored women, will hold their Second Annual Fair and Carnival in Tomlinson Hall May 24 and 25, 1915, for the purpose of securing funds for Lincoln Hospital, The Alpha Home for Aged Colored Women and to promote other social welfare work among colored people.

This year the Council has organized several Neighborhood Clubs, where mothers are given instruction each week in various subjects pertaining to child welfare.

The organization is planning to hold its First Annual Negro Baby Conference in this city July 1, 2, and 3, at which time instruction along many lines pertaining to the care of children will be given by an eminent surgeon of the race, assisted by our local physicians.

For all these purposes we need funds.

We have secured the co-operation of our local business men's association in this effort.

What promises to be the most spirited and good natured contest in the history of Indianapolis is the popularity contest among four of our most prominent young men and women. The all-absorbing question is "Shall the young people of this city, with their wealth of feminine beauty and masculine chivalry, have an unmarried King or Queen of the Carnival?"

Miss Susie Chambers, daughter of Rev. W. H. Chambers, graduate of Manual Training High School and bookkeeper of the Samuel Welch Coal Company and a most charming young woman, has entered the contest, representing the young ladies of the city. Miss Chambers is a leader among her many friends and she is being supported royally by them.

Mrs. John Farr, social leader, representing the young matrons of the city, because of delightful personality, is being supported by her many friends for the honor.

Who will be the King? Mr. Richard Chavers, already known as "King Dick" by his friends, because of his splendid qualities, has entered the race, not for the added honor, but to promote the work of the Council, while Mr. Hayes Bransford, shipping clerk of the Columbia Grocery Co., prominent in fraternal and religious circles and one of the finest types of our younger married men, is making an excellent contestant for that honor. Mrs. Retta Moss is chairman of the contest committee and she announces that already several thousand votes have been sold. The interest is intense, and judging from the sale of tickets, Tomlinson Hall will be filled each evening during the fair. Mrs. W. E. Brown is president of the Council.

DALLAS, TEXAS, NEWS

(Freeman Headquarters, 2922 Cochran Street, Phone Haskell 6956. By Col. J. G. Griffin.)

Compulsory Education Bill for Texas beromes a law and will be in effect September 1, 1915. -- The three-link men of the Odd Fellows lodges here and the Sisters of Ruth held their annual thanksgiving exercises in the Municipal building of the city last Sunday afternoon. A large number of the various lodges were in attendance to witness a choice program, showing the vital parts of progress made since last year, which was pleasing to all members and those of the public who were in attendance. -- The needed work of the mothers' clubs in Dallas is in evidence at any and all gatherings where a large number of the girls and boys are in attendance. A stroll on Central avenue any day will be more convincing to those interested in seeing the young Negro boys and girls' advancement unchecked. Something must be done to relieve them from boisterousness in public places and teach some that at school is the place to learn things of betterment to them and others. -- On to Austin, the capital of Texas, is the talk of Pythians and Calahtnians these days, as the Grand Lodge will hold its session in that city this year in June, 8th to 11th, inclusive, where things of importance will claim the delegates' attention. -- Mr. Charles Bracken has finished the excavating contract for the State Pythians' temple here and the results are now awaiting furtherance by others interested. -- Miss Lucinda Ware can be found at the Bryan Fount, and Mrs. Ethel Warfield and Mrs. Jones are there to care for your wants also. -- The park lawn at the Trinidad Air Dome is ready to welcome you nightly. You will find many changes at this popular resort. A visit will convince you that the management have spared nothing to make it a pleasing retreat for comfort and pleasure. -- Greggs & Jones have recently fitted their place and it is a beauty in and outside and you are invited to call and inspect their high-grade work in cleaning and repairing, at Central and Live Oak street. -- Mr. Marcellus Howard is at home from the sanitarium. -- It is up to you to visit the public school and see for yourself. As a citizen you have that right; as parents, its your duty. So go and get acquainted with the teachers who have charge of your children. -- What it takes to advance a growing city in all of its departments, Mayor Lindsey and his commissioners have it and are putting it out where it will be seen. Have you noticed the change since May 1? If not, begin now to look around in your part of the city. -- What has become of the various literature for the training of the young boys and girls here? Has it all been discarded and their usefulness ceased? -- Quite a number of Dallasites journeyed over to the Fort last Tuesday night and were the guests at a monster revival meeting of Dr. L. K. Williams and his church. -- Mr. Jake Jordan, the "jitney" man of Oak Cliff, has put on the "jitney" for our people. So ask for them when you wish to "jitney" over the river and back. -- Mr. E. C. Caston has beautified his residence. -- Mr. Chas. Nelson is at home from the Baptist Sanitarium and is getting along nicely. -- Mr. and Mrs. John Hill are having some improvements made to their home on North Allen street. -- Mr. Will Townsend, who was accidentally shot, is up and out, to the delight of his friends. -- The rehearsal for the folklore song festival to be held in the auditorium May 18th is claiming the attention of the many, as over 300 voices are to be featured by Mrs. Dr. Chas. M. Morgan, the nightingale. -- Miss J. Jordan is spending two weeks at Kennedalie visiting her mother. -- The porters of Dallas are trying to get themselves organized for the purpose of caring for each other when sick and unable to work and other reasons better known to themselves. May they accomplish their high aim soon, is the Freeman's wish. -- Miss Nettie Worsham has charge of the clerical work with Mr. W. H. Page & Co., who have offices at 605 South Pearl street. They handle wood, coal and ice. -- Mr. R. T. Criner, of Carsicana, was here on business and has returned. -- Rev. Wm. Alphine, of Waco, spent several days here the past week in attendance at the State Christian Convention of whites, in the interest of his work among our people, this being the 29th session of that body. It was largely attended and the different appropriations made were larger than on former occasions. Rev. Alphine left for home all smiles. -- Mr. Henry Thomas, of the Mecca No. 1, celebrated his 36th birthday at 2813 State Street last Saturday night with a few of his invited friends, who he showed that he lacked a great deal of being all in, as he had been reported by others. He showed class and agility and the old-time punch, when clubdom was their favorite, and joy riding was a pastime. His arbits is his future when looking for spots night or day, and he is good at 36 along with the boys. -- Mr. Clarence E. Gaines is at his post of duty after several days' illness. -- Mr. Business Men, you owe that duty to your business and your patrons to advertise where you are located at and whatever line you are engaged in, for the people are the ones you must rely on for your business to grow. The Freeman is the one paper of the many that is closely read by the people everywhere, So use its columns for results as others have obtained them. You can do the same. See Griffin, or phone Haskell 6956, and he will call on you. -- The order of Knights and Daughters of Tabor of this city have recently closed a deal for a three-story brick building on Elm street, so we have been informed, and it is the right step in the right direction. All lodges must have something as an asset besides a burial and sick fund for its growing membership. -- The opening of the baseball season by the colored league of Texas last Saturday was quite a feature to look at. The parade was a neat and classy made-up turn out, consisting of mounted police, K. of P. Band, business and newspaper men in carriages, the officials of the Negro Poll Tax League, rooters and the Cadets, under Gen. John L. Jones. The old band brought up the rear and the line of march was well lined up from start to finish. Hundreds of people of both races were out to see the game, which was played with snap and ginger. The score was, Dallas 3, Waco 1. Sunday's game, Dallas vs. Waco. -- Grand Master H. G. Goree, of Texarkana, and a large number of Odd Fellows from various parts of the state, along with the Patriarchs and the general committee and several Grand Lodge officers graced the stage in the exercises last Sunday, which proved to be a gathering of brains in the order. Bethel choir crowned themselves with praise for their singing. -- Mr. Joseph F. Booker and Mrs. M. E. Green, two popular society persons of the metropolis, were joined in holy wedlock by Dr. Carr, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, on last Friday evening at the home of the bride's parents, 2201 Hugo street. It was a surprise to their most intimate friends and only a few were "put next," and a jolly time was enjoyed. They are now being congratulated and they take it shyly and smile. -- Mrs. Victoria Brewer is spending a few weeks in El Paso visiting her husband, who is there for his health. -- The following is a list of the porters who came to the front and were assisted by several white bartenders in caring for some of the financial end of Mr. Clemmon H. Hill, a brother porter who passed away in the full triumph of the faith and who leaves a widow and three children, a mother, and other relatives to mourn his demise. We all loved him, for his good and wise counsel and his companionship will ever be missed by us and his dear relatives and friends. For all we wish to sincerely thank and ask God's blessings on one and all. Ours are being called to answer one by one and we ask that those of us who are unprepared to get ready to meet the judgment above and beyond the great Jordan. Respectfully, Porters of Dallas, Texas, who have also asked Dr. R. L. Lankford, pastor of Evening Chapel A. M. E. church, to preach a sermon next Sunday morning, which is taken by the people of the city that these young people and old men are standing out: Will Collier, George Barrett, Jimmie Diggs, Robert Jackson, Ed Emmerson, Frank Jackson, H. S. Streety, M. K. Monroe, H. Lightfoot, Thornton Henderson, P. H. Ewing, J. L. Liggett, E. W. Liggett, E. W. Gibson, Jim Moseley, Tom Felton, J. R. Sanders, Rufus Burrus, Alfred Martin, Nathan Smith, E. Smith, Joe Crockett, Emmett Scott, S. H. Hodge, Ed Morgan, W. L. Briscoe, S. Williams, A. W. Edmondson, N. G. Boggin, Tom Maupin, P. H. Ewing, D. W. Love, Dan Rose, Henry Lams, Tane Hawley, Ned Walwer, Jim Price. White Friends: Messrs. Sid Foster, Emmett Sapp, Henry Smith, J. F. Retzler, S. F. Redman, Joe Burnett, Johnnie Jones, Emmett Dyson.

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INFORMATION WANTED.

Concerning the whereabouts of Mrs. Ella Galbreth. When last heard of she lived on Forest avenue, between 17th and 18th street, in Kansas City, Mo. Any one knowing of her whereabouts will do a great favor by addressing Mrs. Lula Warren, 2113 East Cadiz street, Dallas Texas. Business of value awaits her. May 22

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Polly Palmer, of Toledo, Ohio, at 29 South Erie street, would like to know the whereabouts of his brother, "Dan" Palmer.

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JACKSON, TENN.

The general board of the C. M. E. church will convene Wednesday, May 5th, at Liberty C. M. E. church. About sixty delegates are expected, including the nine bishops.

The W. C. T. U. met at Berean Baptist church Sunday, April 2d. Dr. J. L. Crook, of the Crook Unitarian, gave a splendid lecture on health. Mr. and Mrs. George Golden delighted the listeners with a duet. Every one appreciates Mrs. Golden's beautiful voice. Mrs. J. F. Lane is president of the W. C. T. U. and Miss Lillie Ellington is secretary.

Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Hadden left for Greenville, S. C., Thursday to attend the funeral of Rev. Hadden's mother.

Mr. Jack Lancaster, proprietor of the Lancaster House, is cvery dangerously ill.

Mrs. A. R. Merry entertained the Housekeeper's Club Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Goodall left for Savannah, Ga., Friday morning.

Rev. Isaac Snowden preached at Liberty Avenue C. M. E. church Sunday morning and Sunday night.

The Federation of Women's Clubs met at the home of Mrs. E. W. Mosley's Monday, April 3d, at four o'clock.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Thomas Episcopal church met at the parish house April 3d at 3:30 and the Woman's Guild at 4:30.

Mr. Love Alexander, of Murphysboro, Ill., is sick at his mother's home on South Cumberland street.

SHERMAN, TEXAS.

Would like to know the whereabouts of my brother, Will Copeland. When last heard of was in Cincinnati, Ohio. Address Ed Copeland, care Star Barber Shop, East Pecan street, Sherman, Texas.

BRUNSWICK, GA.

On last Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, Mrs. Catherine Holmes and Mr. Thomas Floyd were married at the home of Mrs. Holmes, Rev. S. C. they will be at home, 1106 Wall street. -- Miss Ellen Plennis celebrated her 31st birthday on last Friday evening at her home, 801 Howe street. The table was spread and her guests were fed, after the blessing was said by Mr. Henry Wilson. The table was laid out with much nice things, such as grapefruit, chicken, duck, turkey, cranberry sauce, salads, punch a la de birthday, pickles, rice, greens, big hominy, after-dinner mint, ice cream and cake, and a nice dance after dinner was served. -- The only colored cleaning, pressing, dyeing and repairing shop on the Main street. Work neatly done, and agents for made-to-order clothes. All work guaranteed. Give me a trial and be convinced. Daniel M. Thompson, 1322 Newcastle street.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to The Freeman.

Wesley Williams left Monday evening for Baltimore, Md. -- Mothers' Day was observed at all the churches Sunday. -- There will be a cantata at the Third Baptist church Monday evening, May 24. -- Rev. W. O. Harper spent two weeks in Philadelphia, Pa. -- Mrs. Charles Jackson spent a few days with relatives and friends in Cleveland, O. -- A number of Youngstown people will attend the Elks' dance in Sharon May 19. -- Mrs. Mollie Mackey, of West Federal street, who has been ill for the past six months, remains the same. -- Moses Sutton is able to be out after a short illness. -- J. H. Bobson will visit relatives in Dayton the last of the week. -- Louisa Edwards Court of Calantha No. 30 will meet in regular session Wednesday evening. -- Mrs. Wm. Sanders, 488 Edward street, is on the sick list. -- Dr. C. A. Pettiford is able to be about the house. -- Miss Jessie Carter, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carter, 813 1-2 West Rayen avenue. -- The Knights of Pythias will hold their annual sermon at the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. church Sunday at 2 p. m., May 16. -- Henry Johnson, the barber, is off from work on account of an injured thumb.

THE SILVER LEAF CLUB, GREENVILLE, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. W. M. Reese made a business trip to Dallas last week. -- Mr. Wm. McCain and Mr. R. H. Haines spent last Sunday in Dallas with friends. -- Mr. J. A. Lindley left Monday for Terrell to join the private car of Col. E. H. R. Greene for a season. -- Mrs. Hattie Crawford, of Paris, Texas, is in the city, visiting Rev. L. H. Crawford, her son. -- Mrs. T. W. Pratt was called to Dallas Sunday morning on account of the serious illness of her father, Prof. C. Price. -- The Odd Fellows celebrated their annual thanksgiving at Warren Chapel M. E. church May 9th. A very able sermon was delivered by Rev. Felix Jones, of New Hope Baptist church, who said many good things, which inspired the audience as well as the order. The organist and choir of Warren chapel furnished music for the occasion, which was very uplifting, as they were at their best. -- Miss Celia Hudson, of Campbell, Texas, spent a few days in the city last week, the guest of Miss Viola Catchings. -- Mrs. Rachel Sessions, of Mineola, spent last Monday with her niece, Mrs. Jessie Johnson. -- Mr. Billy D. Johnson is in the city from Long View. -- Mr. Bob Christhoper died May 6, after a long illness. He was a member of Warren Chapel M. E. church and Royal Knights. He was an old employe of the M. K. & T. and had been in their service some twenty or twenty-five years. He was a good man and was liked by all who knew him. Funeral was attended by Rev. Bilbrew, of Jerusalem Baptist church. The body was laid to rest under the ritualistic ceremony of the Royal Knights, May 7. The bereaved family needs our sympathy. -- Mrs. Jessie Holloway is visiting her mother in Dallas. -- Prof. T. W. Pratt and Rev. L. H. Crawford have returned from Hawkins, Tex., where they delivered addresses at the commencement exercises of the Jarvis Christian Institute. -- Mr. Zephernier Beal and wife, of Dallas, are visiting their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Beal, of this city. -- The Silver Leaf Club met Wednesday evening at the residence of Miss Blanche Allen. After business session, Mrs. M. S. Atkinson, president of the Matron Club, in an eloquent speech, voiced the sentiment of the entire club. Then Miss Leek, of Arkansas, made many valuable suggestions to the club. Refreshments were served. The Club adjourned to meet May 12, with Miss Minnie Baty. -- Please have your nickel when the Freeman reporter comes around, as he lost his pencil and can not charge any more papers. -- Freeman on sale every Saturday at Pastime Theatre. W. D. Pratt, reporter.

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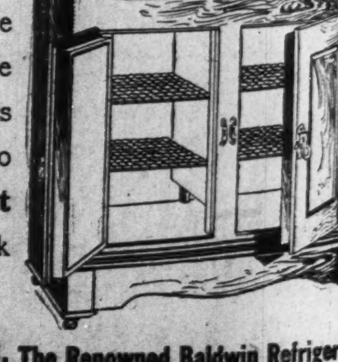

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